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BAND OF 16 BEAT UP NEWSPAPER EDITORS

E. L. Smith Oil Co., Inc. Holds Annual Meeting

Assets Of Big Mexia Company Are Increased More Than 300 Percent

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the E. L. Smith Oil Company was held at the office of the company in Mexia, December 3, 1923. The principal business was the election of Directors for the ensuing year.

After a general discussion of the affairs of the company, the following directors were unanimously elected: E. L. Smith, Blake Smith, and R. L. Wheelock.

It was disclosed at the meeting that, in addition to paying out cash dividends of 13%, amounting to \$178,000.00, the assets of the company were increased some 300% during the twelve months period.

The following statement, which was submitted at the meeting, reflects the condition of the company, after deducting the 10% dividend paid November 15, 1923:

Assets	
Cash on hand	\$173,955.51
U. S. Government Bonds	100,000.00
Stocks	13,555.15
Bills receivable	22,980.74
Real estate	4,756.25
Water System	19,458.00
Autos and trucks	9,971.03
Furniture & fixtures	4,698.10
Equipment (lesses)	15,122.01
Leases & royalties	1,359,113.08
\$1,863,030.07	

Liabilities	
Capital stock:	
Authorized \$5,000,000	
Unissued	3,632,511
Surplus	\$1,360,430.00
Accounts payable	478,293.01
Reserve for taxes	7,210.05
Allowance for depreciation	15,000.00
Unpaid dividend checks	1,133.96
\$1,863,030.07	

FLIER ASCENDS 37,000 FEET OVER OHIO FIELD

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Lieutenant John A. McReady, seeking a new altitude record, was forced to abandon an attempt to reach 50,000 feet when his plane developed engine trouble at approximately 37,000 feet.

Revolt Started By Military At Home of Sanchez

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 7.—A statement issued from the headquarters of General Guadalupe Sanchez, rebel leader, announced that an insurrection is being started to prevent President Obregon from dictating the election of Felix Calles as his successor. The revolt was started with a meeting of military leaders, and politicians at the home of Sanchez. The rebels sent Obregon word of the revolt and put their men in charge of all principal feodalities.

HUGHES DEMONSTRATION HOME IS GOING UP SATISFACTORILY

Rapid progress is being made on the J. K. Hughes Demonstration home, financed by this local citizen, and being built under the direction of The News Publishing Company. Within the next few days, the building should be ready for the paint and other finishing touches. The place is attracting much attention, says Lawrence J.

COMPETITION IS LIVELY IN OIL MARKET AT POWELL

Although the Powell pool experienced a serious over production, with pipe line companies turning down new connections the latter part of October and throughout November, the lull of December finds the situation now completely reversed. Lively competition has developed among the pipe line companies and other purchasing agencies for all oil that can be purchased at the posted price of \$1.00 per barrel. The gravity of this oil ranges from 35 to 39 degrees, with the bulk of the crude in the southwestern area testing 38. It is therefore considered a good buy at the posted price which is much lower than in other fields of the southwest. Pipe line facilities are now adequate to meet the needs of the area, it is said, and shipment by tank cars has been reduced to the minimum. In the meantime additional tankage is being provided weekly in the vast tank farm district of Limestone County.

There are now thirty producing companies in the Powell pool. They are as follows: Humble Oil and Refining Co., Gulf Production Co., Tidal Oil Co., Texas Company, Atlantic Oil Prod. Co., E. L. Smith Oil Co., Skelley Oil Co., Garland Kent, Humphreys Oil Co., T. & B. V. Ry. Co., Simms Oil Co., Kirby Petroleum Co., Roxana Petroleum Co., Mutual Oil Co., R. E. Brooks, Jr., Witherspoon Oil Co., Texas-Magnolia, McMann Oil Co., Parker et al., Barclay & Meadows, Elliott et al., Sun Company, J. K. Hughes Developing Co., Mitchell & Jones, U. S. Tex Oil Co., New Domain Oil Co., Simms-Tucker, T. F. Hunter et al., Dick Webster et al., Cosden Oil & Gas Co.

New Evidence Is Unearthed Against Alleged Murderer

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 7.—New evidence has been unearthed against Phil E. Cox, publicity director of the Ku Klux Klan, who will go to trial Wednesday charged with killing W. S. Coburn, investigators said. When the case is called it is expected to reveal the internal warfare between rival factions and show that a previous attempt to kill Coburn by an aide of Cox failed.

Special Grand Jury Asked To Probe Raid

STUTTGART, Ark., Dec. 7.—A special grand jury is demanded by local citizens to investigate a raid by a band of sixteen men on the "Weekly Free Press" here. The presses and other equipment were wrecked and editors R. A. Berry and T. F. Lawson were severely beaten and ordered to leave town. Authorities said the attack was instigated by articles published in the paper attacking the officers and members of the Arkansas Rice Growers Co-operative Association. The editors claimed that they identified several of their assailants as members of the association.

Little Girl Is Killed In Fly Wheel of Engine

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Dec. 7.—Caught in the fly wheel of a gasoline engine, the 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reep near here, was crushed to death Thursday afternoon. The girl stepped on the belt on the flywheel of a drilling engine which stopped on center. Her weight started the engine and she was drawn into the revolving wheel.

Texas Association Considers Officials For Next Season And Successor For Sherman

By HECK
A called meeting of the Texas Association was held at the Raleigh hotel Waco, December 4th, attended by the various club owners and some who want to be owners. The main topic of conversation was the selection of a president for the coming season and the election of other officers and making the various appointments. No business worth while was transacted owing to the late arrival of three members and president Davidson has called another meeting for December 15th, at which time all necessary business will be taken care of. According to president Davidson the league is in splendid shape financially and all set to open next season with enough money in the strong box to begin operations without calling upon the clubs for money. The withdrawal of Sherman from the loop leaves the

TWO CONFESSIONS TANGLE MURDER MYSTERY.



When Edward Lehman was shot by a man and a woman he interrupted in a factory robbery in Chicago, he gasped: "Get Bockelman" and died. Walter Bockelman was arrested, and Ethel Beck, his common-law wife, "confessed" to the police she was with Bockelman when the killing took place and that Bockelman was the slayer. Bockelman denied the crime. Later Otto Malm, hardened safe-blower, was arrested and confessed that he was the real slayer and that his wife, Katherine Malm, a "two gun woman", was his accomplice in the murder and in 60 other crimes. Mrs. Malm, too, confessed. Then the Beck woman repudiated her confession, but she had told the story in such detail the police are completely at sea. Standing behind the quartet are Assistant Jailor Strassheim and Assistant State's Attorney John Sharboro.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Tonight fair and somewhat warmer in east and south. Partly cloudy in extreme southwest portion.

West Texas—Tonight fair, Saturday. Colder in north portion.

The Southern Pacific lines are receiving a shipment of new locomotives to take care of the constantly increasing demands of the territory served. Four big ten wheel drive locomotives, 3718, 3719, 3720 and 3721 passed through here this morning en route to Houston.

BLOODSHED IS EXPECTED IN OLD MEXICO ANY HOUR

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 7.—Vague reports of the movement of large bodies of federal troops to combat the revolution started against the government at Vera Cruz yesterday, drifted into Nuevo Laredo, opposite here. The reports were unconfirmed and nothing definite as to the scope of the revolution. The lower Mexican border was quite today.

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 7.—Revolt in five Mexican States appeared likely to culminate in fighting between Federal forces and rebels in Vera Cruz at least before nightfall.

Some unconfirmed dispatches told of skirmishes already having taken place.

A rebellion, supported by 12,000 soldiers under General Guadalupe Sanchez started yesterday, in the State of Vera Cruz. Four other States are reported to have followed suit and repudiated the Federal Government.

The war cry of the rebels is "down with imposition." The revolt is aimed at President Obregon and his candidates for the presidency, General Calles.

The rebels back Adolfo De La Huerta.

Vera Cruz, hotbed of the insurrection, was entirely cut off from presidential elections.

The uprising in Vera Cruz, however, is by far the most serious.

Mexico City was calm today as though nothing was happening.

Business went on as usual.

There was no exodus of foreigners.

Many Americans gathered in small groups at the American and University clubs and at the Hotel Regis, discussing the situation.

There is no alarm except by those who fear the railroad to the north might be cut, preventing their going home for Christmas.

Some stores took advantage of the situation to increase their food prices.

President Obregon, who was just recovering from a serious illness when the revolt broke out, was back at the Palace today, confident and optimistic.

Friends of the President intimated he would take the field personally at the head of his troops if necessary.

"No force will be spared to quell the rebellion," Obregon said in an interview.

The President appeared in somewhat better health.

Three columns of Federal troops moved today towards Vera Cruz from Tampico, while others were on the march from Puebla.

Artillery has been sent to Esperanza. It is believed the Federal troops may find it necessary to bombard Vera Cruz, while an attack from sea by troops from Yucatan also is talked of.

WALLACE URGES CORPORATION TO AID U. S. IN DISPOSAL OF GRAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A wheat export corporation to aid in the disposal abroad of surplus American wheat is recommended by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace in a special report to President Coolidge on the wheat situation. Mr. Wallace urged this corporation be empowered to dump American surplus on foreign markets at whatever price could be obtained. The loss so incurred to be "distributed over the entire crop."

McFall Test To Go Down About 200 Feet Deeper

According to E. M. Blue of this city, the McFall test is due to begin drilling to lower depths just as soon as financial arrangements are made so as to assure the completion of the test without interruption. The location is four miles north east of town and was drilled to its present depth around 3150 feet by Denison parties. It is known that other Denison parties are figuring over sending the bit down about 200 feet deeper for an interest in the well. The conditions of the trade are known to call for a test of 3320 feet. It is believed by many that a fair test may be made around 3300 feet and some hope is entertained that a good well and a new field may be brought in there. At least, there are those who feel that it would be poor business not to make the test complete after having drilled to the present depth, especially when the log is said to have compared favorably with logs of producers in the Mexia fields.

Recent letters from Denison indicate that arrangements are just about complete.

Mexia Welcomes Homeseekers and Business Men

According to the recent report of the Bureau of Census, Mexia is with in less than 65 miles of the exact center of population of Texas. Served with direct lines leading to all of the large cities of the state; with the greatest oil field region in the United States at its very door; with agricultural and mineral resources gratifyingly numerous and with an ideal climate, Mexia offers the best opportunities in the southwest for the homeseeker or business man. Come to Mexia, the land of the golden opportunities.

MEXIA OIL COMPANIES LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER YEAR OF WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES

The Equitable Trust company's advertisement calls attention to the sound condition and gratifying financial statement of the E. L. Smith Oil company. It could have commented further on the economical administration of the affairs of the company. The huge business necessitated by the payment of dividends, the regular office work, the heavy drilling campaign and the regular announcement to all stockholders of the company through the columns of The Mexia Daily News which reaches everyone of them—all are accomplished at a surprisingly low cost. The company ranks with the foremost operators in the Powell pool and with resources strengthened

Mexia company is expected to continue to strengthen in the next years just as it has done in 1923. Operators feel certain that a new pool will be developed within 1924 in the Mexia territory, in which event all Mexia oil companies are prepared to take full advantage of the opportunities presented. Both the E. L. Smith Oil company, Inc., and the J. K. Hughes Developing Company are constantly on the alert watching every wildcat in this territory and are vigilantly for their stockholders who have attested their confidence in them. These stockholders are in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries, and the companies have done much in presenting Mexia to the world as the real center of the oil fields in America.

Seven Months Ago J. K. Hughes Brought In First Gusher at Powell, Since Which Time Pool Has Produced 28,000,000 Bbls.

Exactly eleven months ago the discovery well was brought in at Powell. Four months and one day followed the January 7th date of discovery before the first real gusher came in. A J. K. Hughes Developing Company gusher. The intervening period was consumed with slow drilling operations made so by bad weather.

The field, therefore, is actually only seven months old, during which time, the area has yielded approximately 28,000,000 barrels.

A most recent completion, the latter part of this week, is the Fleming No. 2 of the Kirby Petroleum Company, a small 500 barrel producer.

Hoosier-Hamilton et al.
Quite a number of other completions are due within the next few hours. The Humble Company now has a number of producers on the Humphreys

farm. The J. K. Hughes Developing Company expects a good well when its No. 4 Alexander is completed which is among those awaited hourly. The J. K. Hughes Company has several operations on this 80 acre property which is in the proven area and which has added considerably to the assets of the company in Powell.

Arrangements are reported complete for a new operation in the Chatfield area. The wildcat will be located on the Easterland farm between Chatfield and Porter's Bluff, in Chambers survey.

The Masters Company and Deep Sand and Gravel Company are expected to



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OPTIMISM HAS FOUNDATION

Mexia is looking forward to the next twelve months with an optimism characteristic of the good citizens. The past year has not been as good as it was expected to be nor as it was, for a time, thought to be, say quite a number of local business men. They have caught the good cheer that ever dominates the oil field fraternity, however, and are bubbling over with optimism as to the future and are planning to take care of the big business which they believe is "just around the corner."

With "confident" information tendered them by wildcaters they are led to believe that 1924 will witness another oil boom and that the incessant wildcatting of the intrepid oil man will sooner or later discover new pools of petroleum wealth which will bring a prosperity the like of which has never been experienced here. Should such a condition prevail, it will find Mexia ready for the anticipated occurrence and prepared to take full advantage of the opportunities such an eventuality will present.

The slump at Powell has not caused any marked depression locally,

for it is generally conceded that that pool was due for a rapid decline in view of the many perforations permitting the gas head to blow off.

Not only is the Mexia territory expected to contribute another oil pool, but it is likely that within the next few months two additional horizons will be found at Powell just as three pay horizons existed at Tonkawa.

The Powell pool has apparently been defined, but there is an excellent chance of both shallow and deeper production which offers much to the petroleum industry at large. Too, a well known geologist has recently declared that there may be two more pay horizons at Powell below the now producing level. It is not thought that the new sands will prove as prolific as the upper but they will be reached with less expense and the actual profits offer a great inducement. The filed is now producing from the upper Woodbine sand, in places only 10 to 15 feet, while other wells in the area discovered by the E. L. Smith Oil Company found from 40 to 100 feet from the top of the big production. It is known that there are other sands within 250 feet of the bottom of the present big production, probably two more. The theory is that they should produce oil. They did in the Golden Lane and Fishpond at Mexia.

HOW TO SAVE GAS

Would you like to cut your gas bills?

Look, then, to your kitchen gas range, advises Popular Science Monthly, outlining a list of rules offered by Dr. Mina C. Danton, associate chief of the Office of Home Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture. These are the rules:

Turn the air adjustment device so that a blue flame is produced.

Use a burner of a size that will not permit the flames to lick around the edges of your pots and pans.

See that your burners are not more than one to one and a half inches below the bottom of the pan.

Be sure that burners are clean and jets kept open.

When the food has begun to cook, turn down the flame, or remove the pot or pan to the simmering burner.

Be sure that your oven is airtight and whenever possible bake at a low temperature.

XMAS BOX.

The Methodist Ladies' Missionary Society are getting up a Christmas Box of good secondhand clothing, also toys, nuts, and candies for the Wesley House of Thurber, Texas. Will be glad to get anything any one will give us. Send your articles to our homes if you have no way—telephone one of the committee. Must have same by Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Mayo,
Mrs. John Corley,
Mrs. Blake Smith,
Committee.

CORNERSTONE LAYING

AT LEONA SATURDAY

The cornerstone of the new Christian church at Leona will be laid Saturday between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. Rev. Chism of Teague will officiate at this affair which is to be at Leona in Leon County. The announcement states dinner will be served on the ground and the public is most cordially invited.

432 FORD MEN
APPOINTED IN
YEAR 1923

According to F. W. Welch of the Welch Motor Company the extension of the Ford Motor Company's sales and service organization during the year has been rather remarkable and is due, of course, to the continually increasing demand for Ford products.

There have been 432 new dealers appointed since January 1, bringing the total number of authorized dealers in the United States up to 9,448, the greatest retail sales organization ever known.

Authorized service stations also have been steadily increased in order to afford the best possible service to the constantly growing number of Ford owners. At present the Ford service stations total around 22,000.

In foreign countries there are 3,800 authorized Ford dealers and 7,000 service stations.

MEXIA PRODUCTION
STILL ABOVE 40,000

The Mexia pool continues to produce above 40,000 barrels daily. The steady and continued production of this producing area continues to be the marvel of southwestern fields.

MOODY TEST IS
THROUGH CAPROCK

Drilling is progressing satisfactorily on the Moody test at Tehuacana, seven miles Northwest. About 4 feet was drilled Thursday night, reaching a depth of 3009 feet. The cap rock has been reached and the bit is now in sand, lime and shell, which is considered very encouraging. About 20 or 30 more feet and it is expected to show whether pay production is to be encountered.

Rotarian Donald W. Mackie of Bradford, Pennsylvania, of the Bradford Supply Company, was a guest of Mexia Rotary Thursday.

At the Mexia Gun Club, shoot on Thanksgiving day, ten turkeys were awarded the best 10 shots. One of these went to a lady, Mrs. M. W. Anderson. The other nine to men. Awards were made were: Harry Meek, George Ingram, Englehardt, L. D. Morrow, Blanchard, M. W. Anderson, Carter, Padgett and Nevell.

Charles Clover, Secretary of the Mexia B. P. O. Elks and official scorer for the Gushers attended the T. A. baseball meeting in Waco the fourth. Mrs. E. Watson returned Friday from Dallas where she has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stevens, for a few days.

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OIL STOCK

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Scene from the 1st act of "The Bat". The detective is introduced. At the Opera House Matinee and Night, Saturday, December 8th.

THOUSANDS ARE TURNED AWAY AT HOLLYWOOD ANNUALLY

By HAROLD E. SWISHER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 7.—Every day in the year there are a thousand heart aches, a thousand dreams shattered and a thousand hopes blasted in Hollywood.

Every day in the year a thousand people, of all sizes, ages and qualifications, arrive in Hollywood, positive they possess that intangible something known as "screen personality," which will open for them the studio doors and assure them of the fame and fortune which follows such recognition. Scarcely one in the thousand is successful.

The flood tide of the hopeful shows no sign of receding, despite the fact that the seasonal reduction in production has thrown thousands of old and established "trouper" out of work.

This is according to the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, which has recently become the most peculiar civic organization in the country. It is a Chamber of Commerce which urges people to stay away.

"Don't try to break into the movies in Hollywood until you have full, frank and reliable information from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce," a little sticker which goes out on every piece of mail or express package leaving Hollywood.

"Despite our advice and the earnest campaign of enlightenment we are waging, still they come, only to be disillusioned," said Harry Barratt, assistant secretary of the Chamber today.

"The letters we get and the foolish questions we are asked would be amusing if we didn't think of the longings which prompt them," Barratt said. "Some people have the idea that Hollywood is just one big studio, surrounded by high walls and guarded by scowling guards, with a pass from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. All that is necessary to gain entrance and employment.

"Parasitic make-up schools and mail order screen acting classes increase the number of disappointed who flock here steadily, only to find there is no work, and is often the case, they are out of funds in a strange city, hardened to cases such as these.

"The largest screen employment bureau in the city, one which many studios patronize in securing 'atmosphere' characters," has over 110,000 names on its registry books—names of boys, girls and their elders, who have sought to "break into the pictures."

Only about 455 "extras" are needed daily, Barratt concluded. This does not mean 400 different would-be picture stars are used each day. The old and well known underlings work around, from studio to studio, wherever they can get work, and keep the field supplied.

"What chance has the country bumpkin to get into this circle?" Barratt asked.

Studios are broadcasting warnings, urging aspirants not to make the effort. There's not one chance in a thousand, figures disclose, of the unknown making a living in Hollywood studios today, and there are few vacancies behind restaurant counters or soda fountains, either.

Mary Pickford, who recently warned all ambitious girls with golden curls and a high school dramatic education, to bring mother and enough money to last five years when they came knocking at Hollywood studio gates, was putting all too mildly. That's the opinion in Hollywood today.

Hollywood says "don't come at all!"

The Hackney Weaver test near Cotton Gin is making rapid progress downwards, it is learned here today. The weather has caused a renewal of activity on all wildcats.

No word has come today from the Greene test east of Teague.

January
"Cosmopolitan"
on sale,
Pioneer News Stand

CONSERVATIVES LOSE LEAD IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Conservatives lost a majority of the House of Commons. Returns from yesterday's general election showed late this afternoon that Stanley Baldwin's party failed to obtain 300 seats, and none of the three parties had sufficient seats to control parliament. A Conservative-Liberal coalition is fore-casted. Lady Astor was re-elected.

Wildcatting Is Expected Soon In the Southwest

An increase in price of Mexico, Currie and Powell crude under normal conditions would be expected here, due to the acute scarcity of oil now imminent in the United States. However, this territory has suffered under the discriminating tactics of the purchasing companies since the fields were first brought in, and about the only good to the territory to be derived from the decline in production will likely be a wildcatting campaign of wide scope and thoroughness. More crude petroleum is in storage in Limestone County than in any other county in America. The tank farms here are taxed to take care of the huge production but there are many fields in the Southwest, it is said, where tanks are empty. Standard oil is said to have 22 empty 55's in one district in Kansas. In the Duncan, Oklahoma, district, refineries are paying a premium of 25 cents a barrel.

Improvement in oil conditions may not be felt at first in dollars and cents, but oil operators feel it in rising optimism. The mid-continent area is said to be feeling this optimism very keenly now, believing that in 90 days a real wildcatting campaign will be on in earnest.

The Powell 500 Company, another Mexico organization to succeed in oil activity, has paid two dividends of 25 per cent each, although the syndicate is less than six months old. Dr. R. B. Jackson of this city is President and John Phillips, Secretary.

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"The Store Ahead"

Man Under 25 Year Sentence Closely Watched

HOUSTON, Dec. 7.—Jack Smith, sentenced to 25 years for participation in the robbery of F. K. Laggett, Ice Cream Company cashier here several weeks ago, is under close surveillance in the county jail following his sensational attempt to escape late yesterday.

Forcing the turnkey at the point of a gun to release him from the jail, Smith hopped on the running board of a passing car and commanded the driver, H. C. Rummage, of Fort Worth, to "speed up." Instead Rummage threw his car into low and said it was broken while officers, in spite of shots fired at them by Smith, overtook the car and captured the bandit. Officers are attempting to find out where Smith got the gun.

The Lions club held an interesting old fashioned Spelling Bee at the luncheon hour today, with Mrs. Oscar Denning the champion speller.

Prison Sentence Asked by German Lawyer for Griffin

MOSSBACK, Germany, Dec. 7.—A sentence of three years' imprisonment for Ex-Lieutenant Corless Hoover Griffin, of Ohio, for his part in the attempted kidnaping of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, was asked by the Government attorney today.

Although Griffin, assumed entire responsibility for the affair, the prosecutor also asked a similar term for Sperber, one of Griffin's companions, one year for Prince Gargarin and six months for Nelson, the chauffeur. All participated in the attempt at Erbach early in the fall.

The Big Williams, 6 miles southwest on the Rosson, is being watched carefully today. It will not be surprising at any moment to learn that a new field and a new horizon of paying proportions has been penetrated here. The bit is said to be down near the interesting 1760 foot level.

Houston Looks For Missing Boy Of Seven

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 7.—Hundreds of citizens and police today searched Houston for Edmond Malcolm, 7 year old son of a blind street musician, who has been missing since Wednesday.

The boy left for school Wednesday morning and has not returned. He was last seen with two other youths playing along the banks of the Bayou. His father believes he may have fallen into the Bayou and drowned.

Man Killed In Gas Explosion

TONKERS, Okla., Dec. 7.—One man was killed and two seriously injured in an explosion caused by gas accumulation under the office of a lumber company here. Identity of the dead man is unknown.

Beautiful Lamps To Light The Way

Nowadays almost every room is illuminated by means of lamps. And when buying a lamp be sure to consider the use to which it is to be put. For reading, the light should be brilliant yet kindly; where close work is not necessary, softly tinted; and when used for decorative effects they may take any harmonizing color or frill.

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The Mexia Daily News has been late coming from the presses for the past several days. This is due to motor troubles which are being rectified as rapidly as possible. The repairs are expected to be completed soon, and within the next few days everything will be running normal and smoothly and on time again.

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JOINT FESTIVAL PROMISES TO BE A GRAND SUCCESS

According to Jerry Cason, Dr. M. M. Brown of the Lions club, Lee P. Pearson, president of the Salesmanship club, O. F. Watkins and Z. Rochelle of the American Legion, and Warren Dale the all city clubs and Legion banquet on the evening of December 14th will be the biggest single affair of its kind of the year; all of the ladies of the various clubs will be with their husbands and sweethearts to help put the affair over in grand style. Over one hundred plates have already been sold; and it is urgent that all plates be bought and paid for at once so that the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary will know just how many plates to prepare for; Mesdames O. F. Watkins, Dale, Rochelle and all of the ladies ask that check be sent in at once by all members of the various clubs of the city for the sum of \$2.50 per couple if they desire to be present. This will be in honor of "Mister Turkey" and Santa Claus; and a large number of Turkeys are in the pen to be fat and ready for the event. All of the clubs of the city are asked and invited to join in, and it is understood that they will all be there with "bells on."

There will be prominent speakers present who will address the club. Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson will be a guest of honor who will deliver his popular address that has been repeatedly delivered over the State on "Good Roads and Good Schools." Judge Storey of Tyler a very popular after dinner speaker, will be present and deliver an address. There will be plenty of entertainment throughout the evening; music and songs, a sing-song of popular songs, and popular dinner stunts. Hon. J. K. Hughes, live wire oil operator will be the toastmaster. The Mexia Daily News has been asked to report the meeting. The Native Sons of Texas through their President, Hon. Hampton Steele, son of the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, and President of the Native Sons of Texas, Inc., will be present. He is now 84 years of age, but hearty and hale and as active as most men some 20 years his junior.

Regardless of what club you are a member of, you are invited. The

personnel of every club in the city is invited to come and make the banquet a success regardless of whether or not the club joins in as a club or otherwise. You have an invitation. If you are for Mexia show it. The slogan will be "all for Mexia." The local paper is asked to give this banquet all publicity, and will give their co-operation in making it a success.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 6, 1923.

Dear Old Santa:

I don't know whether you will remember me this year or not for we haven't any money for you. My papa is at Navarro trying to work but he does not have work only about two days out of a week. My mamma wants work but hasn't any. I am five years old. I would love to have a doll that says ma-ma and can go to sleep. I would love to have a little broom. My little three year old brother says he wants a doll that will call him ma-ma too and a little rocking chair. My sister is twelve years old she wants a book "Robinson Crusoe."

My big brother wants a football. We would all like to have some fruit and nuts and a little candy. Oh Santa I forgot to tell you that I would love to have a little bed for my dollie. I live at 618 N. Red River street. My name is

Nellie Ruth Dupuy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. Will you please bring me a parasol, some red house shoes, a nice doll, some fruits and candy, also bring my mother, daddy and little brother something nice. Best wishes and love to you.

Your little friend,
Rosalie Vance,
412 E. Commerce St.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old and going to school. Will you please bring me a trunk, air gun, some fruit, candy and fire works. My little sister is writing you also. You will find us at 412 East Commerce street.

Your little friend,
Leonard Vance.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 6, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I surely am anxious for you to visit me again. Since Christmas is drawing near I thought I would write

you about what I wanted you to bring me. I want a street roller, a toy tractor, and a story book. You can tell from this selection that I am an industrious boy.

Your friend,
Olin T. Seely.
P. S.—Please send me some nuts, candy and fruits also.

Santa Claus:

Don't go to my house in Canada because I am moved. Please bring me a doll that wears a dress and bonnet and says ma-ma, a doll buggy, some candy and nuts. I am five years old so bring a big doll and I will give my old dolls, Uncle Mose and Billy, to orphan Annie.

Your friend,
Dorothy Grant,
511 North Ross Ave.
(Brown house.)

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 5, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball and a story book, a doll, some fruit and nuts, candy too. Bring me a ring if you don't mind.

Bring me a doll buggy. I won't

FOR CONSTIPATION

Black-Draught Recommended by
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ask for too much dear Santa Claus. So I will close.

Your little friend,
Ruth Stanford.

Heavy Trunk Saved Them From Death

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 7.—H. C. Stoball, a tourist, is still wondering how it all happened.

Driving near here, Stoball made a sudden turn and his car left the road, falling down a steep embankment. A heavy trailer attached fell on top of the car.

Stoball, holding his baby in his arms was unscratched. The babe was only a trifle shaken up. Two heavy trunks, carried in the car, held up the trailer and prevented it from crushing Stoball and the child.

You Can't
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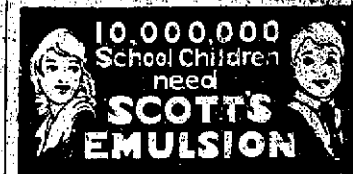
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THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR

nowbirds" Now
ocking To Texas

USTON, Texas, Dec. 7.—On the wings of the bleak wintry winds birds have come back to the sunny island. And with them has come "snowbird."

seeking ever the "easiest way out" birds, otherwise known as "bums, pos, tramps" have been flocking to us for the past several weeks, authorities say.

each day brings a larger number of unless wanderers before town strates. A slipup in their usual stories and they're in for a brief stay as a "vag." But the jails are full.

employment bureaus prove the orite roosts of the birds. It's warm here too and they figure they can put a pretense of seeking work if light in the bureaus. They hash up kinds of yarns to escape the "jud."

I'm an honest working man with a little stretch of tough luck o weeks ago I worked as boiler-ker in Kansas City," one of them Judge Jim Reeves here. His us were examined. They were and white and he went to jail.

in the spring the migration will in all eyes again. But this time it move the other way. For the "nowbird" always seeks the "easiest."

They're called "snowbirds" cause they run from the snow.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 6.—In answer to reports from Milan that Er-

minio Spalla, European heavyweight champion, had accepted terms for a fight in the Argentine with Luis Firpo, the South American champion said today that he would not consider a fight with Spalla in this country or any other country.

RED BANK, N. J.—With Jack Malone added to his staff of sparring partners, Gene Tunney is putting the finishing touches on his training for his fight on next Monday with Harry Greb. Tunney will demand a fight with Georges Carpentier if he wins from Greb.

NEW YORK.—Three more good fights and Benny Leonard will be ready to retire," Billy Gibson, the lightweight champion's manager, said. Pal Moran and Louis Vincentini, the South American lightweight may be taken on for Leonard for two of the outdoor bouts.

TORONTO.—Pancho Villa, world's flyweight champion, knocked out Donnie Mack, Toronto bantamweight in the fourth round.

DETROIT.—A \$300 fine plastered on Johnny Dundee for not arriving 72 hours before his bout with Sid Bargarian here, has stirred Jimmy Johnston, Dundee's manager, to wrath. Johnston threatens legal action against Louis Phies, State boxing commissioner.

OLD CARS WANTED.—Will pay cash for your old car to wreck, or will sell you used parts cheap for repairing. Will sell your car on commission or trade it for you. See me before buying or selling your old car. J. E. McDowell, 111 North McKinney. 7E7

Fine Features
Don't Count

A boy or girl may have ever so perfect a face, neck and poise, but if even one little pimple, blotch, bump or red spot shows, it ruins their whole appearance. You know how true this is, because you just naturally avoid people whose appearance is not pleasing.

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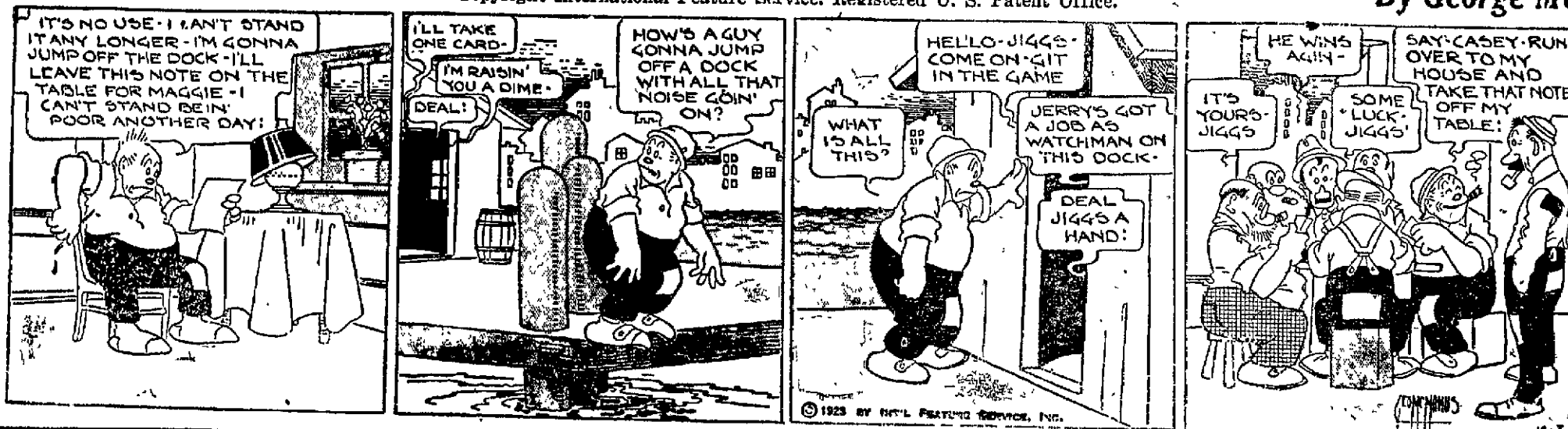
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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ad

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By George McManus



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WANTED GIRLS—Nice clean healthy work. New Way Laundry. Phone 809.

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FOR SALE—One lot on Commerce, paved street, in Ross Addition. News Publishing Co. 500 W. K. Road.

FOR SALE 500 shares of U. L. Smith & 750 shares. Box 15, News.

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HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Good five room house with modern conveniences. Servants' house and garage. 524 North Red River Street, 1 block north of high school. \$30 per month. See W. D. Hight or phone 422 or 228.

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FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633.

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NATIVE HICKBERRY AND ELM trees put out, prices according to size. All trees furnished. Phone 123-J.

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"THE BAT" IS COMING TO MEXIA SAT., DEC. 8TH

(Press Notice)

If there is a theatrical man in your acquaintance, ask him, if you are interested in the subject of success, to give you his reason for the totally unprecedented success that has met "The Bat," the great mystery play by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood which Wagenhals and Kemper will present at the Opera House on Saturday matinee and night, Dec. 8th. Of course, the first answer he is going to give you is that "The Bat" is a corking good play. That is now self-evident. No play that wasn't exceptionally good could possibly attract the same persons back to see it four, five and six times. And that is exactly what "The Bat" is doing.

But there is another reason—a more technical reason, if you will, for the success of the play on tour. There have been good plays before "The Bat" was ever heard that failed miserably on their tours of the country. The answer to their failure is also the answer to the success of "The Bat." And that is what your acquaintance will be able to explain to you in detail, if you press him for reasons.

When Wagenhals and Kemper send a play on tour, they insist that it be the equal—actually it is sometimes the superior—of the play as it has been presented in New York for its original engagement. The managers who have amassed a great fortune, solely through their insistence, on a policy of the "best is none too good for the road," build new scenery, supply new costumes; have perfect electrical equipment, carry their own furnishings for their sets and never permit, under any circumstances of the use of a make-shift, just in order to give a play.

"The Bat" when it starts its tour of the country, leaves New York, equipped exactly as though it was to go no farther than a theatre at the corner of Broadway and Forty-Second street. And the cast must be the equal of the production. If Broadway actors balk at going on tour, Broadway salaries promptly win them over.

These are the reasons, then, why "The Bat" has broken box office records in every city where it has played and why, notwithstanding one, two, three and sometimes four visits, it is able to go back for the fifth time or more and find a theatre filled with people, waiting to welcome it. Seats on sale now.

PHIL ROSS TO SUPD IN ON HACKNEY LEASE

Phil Ross of Ross and Green has a derrick up on the Hackney tract between Mexia and Wortham and to the right of the H. & T. C. tracks. The test will be spudded in within the next few days. Iowa capitalists are financing the operation, it is learned.

Mrs. Jas. G. Townsend of San Antonio is returning home today after a brief visit with her mother, Mrs. V. P. Wilbank and sister, Mrs. Ben Knoff of this city.

Knights of Pythias Wolves Are Menace Elect New Officers In Western Texas

At the meeting of Travis Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias held Thursday night work in the ranks of Esquire and Knight was done.

The lodge subscribed \$25 to the Salvation Army fund, and sent a donation to a worthy brother in another city who had sent out an appeal for aid. Also sent the regular annual donation to the Home at Weatherford for the Christmas tree.

Officers for the ensuing term were elected as follows:

Henry C. Felz, Chancellor Commander.
Aubrey A. Kindred, Vice Chancellor
N. B. Hayden, Perlate
Jas. P. Anderson, Master of Work.
J. Frank Cogdell, Keeper of Records and Seal, and Master of Finance.
J. I. Riddle, Master of Exchequer.
Horace Chitwood, Master at Arms.
H. T. Pitts, Inner Guard.
Claude Miller, Outer Guard.
John R. Corley, Trustee for three years.

These officers will be installed in January for a six months term.

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it may mean you have been eating foods which create acids, says a well known authority. An excess of such acids overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and loggy. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels, removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sour, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the system, so they no longer irritate, thus, often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure and makes a delightful, effervescent lithia-water drink. Drink lots of soft water. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.—(Adv.)

Wolves Are Menace In Western Texas

GRAFORD, Texas, Dec. 7.—Prowling wolf packs are forcing many farmers in this section to abandon the raising of hogs and goats, reports here say.

Organized hunts against the wolf bands have made little progress due to the large numbers of wolves.

One farmer has reported losing thirteen hogs as a result of the depredations of the wolves.

Another Klan Outrage Reported

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 7.—Strange tales come from the lips of negroes when they fall into the toils of the law. But a Maypearl grand jury, investigating recent offenses committed in this county, tell of the prize yarn.

A black stated, they say, that four grand jurors, robed as Klansmen, took him to the top of the courthouse and threatened to throw him off if he didn't tell the truth.

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SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Limestone, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution for cost, issued out of the Honorable 87th, District Court of Limestone County, of the 30th day of Nov., 1923, by The District Clerk, of said Limestone County, for the sum of Thirty-six 22-100 (\$36.22) dollars and costs of suit, under an Execution for Cost, in favor of T. A. White, in a certain cause in said Court No. 3127-B and styled T. A. White, vs. Fred S. Lack, Madge Lack, Doris Lack, Hattie Lack, Geo. Lack, Charles Lack, Dr. Stone, Annie Berbowser, F. R. Berbowser and Vergina Stone, placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy, as sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 30th day of Nov., 1923, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land in Limestone County, Texas, be-



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ing 50 acres out of the S. E. corner of the H. Hines survey and 14 acres out of the N. E. corner of said J. E. Lewis survey and described thus: Begin at a stake in the East line of said Lewis survey 149 vs. from its N. E. corner; Thence N. 30 W. at 149 vs. pass the said corner, which is also the S. E. corner of the Hines survey and continuing in all 680 vs. to a stake in the East line of said Hines survey; Thence S. 60 W. 531 vs. to a stake; Thence S. 30 E. at 531 vs. cross the common line of said Hines survey and said Lewis survey, and continuing in all 680 vs. to a stake, which is also the ell corner of tract No. 1 hereinabove first described; Thence N. 60 E. with same 531 vs. to beginning, containing 64 acres, and levied upon as the property of Fred S. Lack, et al., and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Execution for Cost, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Fred S. Lack, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 30th day of Nov., 1923.

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STOVES

Mexia Shrine Club To Present Charity Minstrel

Opera House Is Secured For Thursday Night

In line with their Christmas charity program, the Mexia Shrine Club have leased a deal with Manager Frank Covering of the Opera House to stage their Minstrel Show on Thursday night, December 13th. Through the courtesy of Mr. Bevering and Mr. Bobby Warren of the Bobby Warren Stock Company, the company have agreed to give this date to the Shrine and to assist them in every way possible to make their charity show a success. This act of public spiritedness on the part of these gentlemen reserves well the recognition of the public and is highly appreciated by the Shrine, who are putting forth every effort to give a good clean show, with a change of program, including new songs, and jokes and vaudeville acts.

Some new actors have been added to the cast, including the famous jazz band Bon F. Stollenwerk and the well known Ring Tail Buck Tidwell, who will deliver a short address to his audience on how he put things over at the Karem ceremony.

When the show was first presented at the High School Auditorium, the weather conditions and the extreme muddy condition of the street leading to the building, prevented a large audience from witnessing the show, as evidenced by several hundred who braved the weather and filled the house to half of its capacity in spite of conditions.

It is therefore certain that those who did not see the show before will be glad of an opportunity to support it this time and the patronage of those who witnessed it before is solicited, as the program is being changed so as to make it a brand new show with more pep than before.

The net proceeds of the show will be given to charity and the interest displayed by the Shrine in this section will mean the complete success of the undertaking.

The cause is worthy of the 100 per cent support of the community and what is better than a pleasant evening and a dollar invested to be used for the comfort and relief of some unfortunate person during the Christmas time.

With the co-operation of the Elks Band, a parade is being planned on the afternoon of the 13th between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, which will be staged on Commerce street.

Watch for the big attraction and talk it over with your neighbors and remember a dollar paid to this show is a dollar spent for charity.

Reserved seats will be placed on sale next Monday.

INTERSECTIONAL GAMES TO BE NUMEROUS AS EVER

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Intersectional games on the 1924 football schedule will be just as numerous as they have been in the past three years, but they will be much more important.

It is possible from negotiations now being carried on, that at least two of the big teams of the Western Conference will meet first class Eastern teams.

Wisconsin is negotiating for a game with Cornell and if it is scheduled it should be one of the feature games of the season. Cornell, defending itself against criticism because weak teams have appeared on its schedule, has maintained that it could not get good teams to play. Wisconsin is a good team.

The Navy wants a game with a Conference team and probably will get one. The Navy officers wanted Illinois on the schedule but it seems that while both are willing the game

will not be possible next year because it is impossible to find an open date on the schedule satisfactory to both teams.

Michigan, under the circumstances probably will get on the Navy schedule. Secretary Denby, a former Michigan football star, wants his Midshipmen to schedule the game. As the Navy officials are willing to agree to a "home and home" proposition, it is not improbable that the Navy will have a game at Annapolis in 1925 with Illinois and one at Ann Arbor with Michigan. The Navy is not afraid of any kind of a hard schedule.

The Army probably will have several Southern teams on the schedule and Yale already has booked games with North Carolina and Georgia. Centre will make its annual appearance in the East in a game with West Virginia in New York on Oct. 25. While the game has not yet been announced, it is certain that Georgia Tech will meet Notre Dame next fall.

Notre Dame is more in demand than any team in the country. The "Micks" are willing to travel and the team is a first class attraction all over the country. Notre Dame makes two trips east next fall for games with the Army and Princeton.

Pennsylvania with one of the largest fields in the east, is looking for one or two big spectacles and it is understood that the Penn officials are eager to get a game with one of the

fine Pacific coast teams. Many other teams would like to schedule a game with California but the travel demands for such a game make it almost impossible for the regular schedule.

Improvements Made In Masonic Hall

The Masonic hall has been improved by the installation of a new carpet and other additions to the comfort and convenience of those who attend the meetings, and the hall now has a real cozy appearance.

There will be a called meeting to-night for work in the Masters degree, and all members are urged to attend.

Visitors are always welcome.

ENID, Okla.—End fowls are experiencing a hard winter. The city "dads" have amended the chicken ordinance restricting roving during the summer months, to include the whole year.

ATTENTION ELKS

The first regular meeting for December will be held at the home to-night at eight o'clock sharp. A full attendance is requested. Visiting members welcome.

Frank C. Bolton,
Exalted Ruler,
Chas. L. Clover,
Secretary.

JOLIET, Ill.—Rivers of real beer flooded Joliet's main streets. A heavy foam covered the sidewalks. Thirsty pedestrians, seeking the source found confiscated beer from a nearby brewery had clogged the sewers and overflowed.

Ed Diasser is here from Corsicana is here looking after his local interests.

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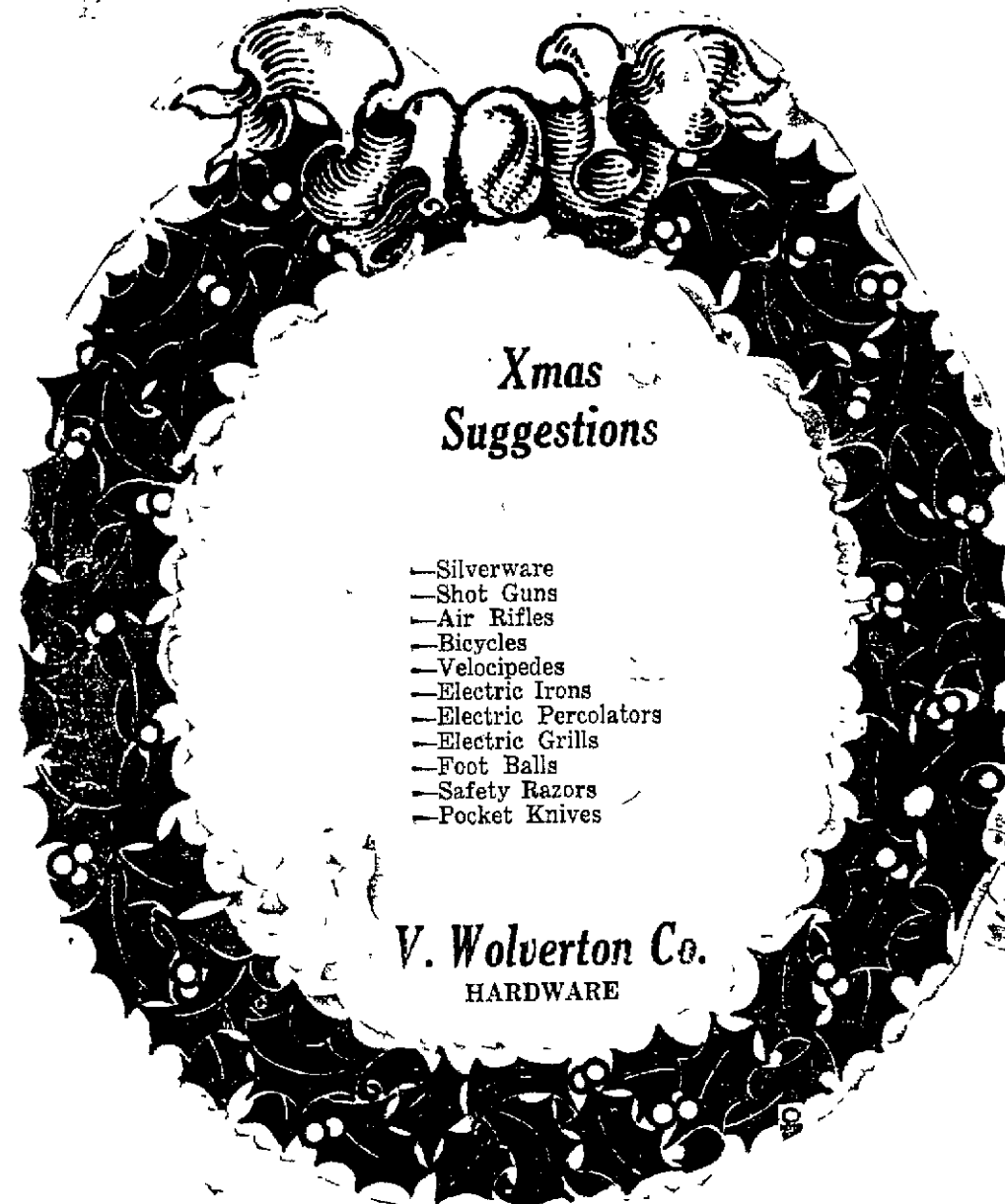
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E. L. Smith Oil Co., Inc. Holds Annual Meeting

Assets Of Big Mexia Company Are Increased More Than 300 Percent

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the E. L. Smith Oil company was held at the office of the company in Mexia, December 3, 1923. The principal business was the election of Directors for the ensuing year.

After a general discussion of the affairs of the company, the following directors were unanimously elected: E. L. Smith, Blake Smith, and R. L. Wheelock.

It was disclosed at the meeting that, in addition to paying out cash dividends of 13%, amounting to \$176,000.00, the assets of the company were increased some 300% during the twelve months period.

The following statement, which was submitted at the meeting, reflects the condition of the company, after deducting the 10% dividend paid November 15, 1923:

Assets	
Cash on hand.....	\$173,985.51
U. S. Government Bonds.....	100,000.00
Stocks.....	13,565.15
Bills receivable.....	22,980.34
Real estate.....	4,796.25
Water System.....	19,458.00
Autos and trucks.....	9,971.63
Furniture & fixtures.....	4,698.10
Equipment (Leases).....	154,122.01
Leases & royalties.....	1,350,413.08
\$1,863,950.07	
Liabilities	
Capital stock:	
Authorized \$5,000,000.....	
Unissued.....	3,639,511
\$1,869,489.00	
Surplus.....	478,293.01
Accounts payable.....	7,249.05
Reserve for taxes.....	15,000.00
Allowance for depreciation.....	1,133.96
Unpaid dividend checks.....	915.05
\$1,863,950.07	

COMPETITION IS LIVELY IN OIL MARKET AT POWELL

Although the Powell pool experienced a serious over production, with pipe line companies turning down new connections the latter part of October and throughout November, the lull of December finds the situation now completely reversed. Lively competition has developed among the pipe line companies and other purchasing agencies for all oil that can be purchased at the posted price of \$1.00 per barrel. The gravity of this oil ranges from 35 to 39 degrees, with the bulk of the crude in the southwestern area testing 38. It is therefore considered a good buy at the posted price which is much lower than in other fields of the southwest. Pipe line facilities are now adequate to meet the needs of the area, it is said, and shipment by tank cars has been reduced to the minimum. In the meantime additional tankage is being provided weekly in the vast tank farm district of Limestone County.

There are now thirty producing companies in the Powell pool. They are as follows: Humble Oil and Refining Co. Gulf Production Co. Tidal Oil Co. Texas Company. Atlantic Oil Prod. Co. E. L. Smith Oil Co. Skelley Oil Co. Garland Kent Humphreys Oil Co. T. & B. V. Ry. Co. Simms Oil Co. Kirby Petroleum Co. Roxana Petroleum Co. Mutual Oil Co. R. E. Brooks, Jr. Witherspoon Oil Co. Texas-Magnolia. McMan Oil Co. Parker et al. Barclay & Meadows. Elliott et al. Sun Company. J. K. Hughes Developing Co. Mitchell & Jones. U. S. Tex Oil Co. New Domain Oil Co. Simms-Tucker. T. F. Hunter et al. Dick Webster et al. Cosden Oil & Gas Co.

FLIER ASCENDS 37,000 FEET OVER OHIO FIELD

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Lieutenant John A. McReady, seeking a new altitude record, was forced to abandon an attempt to reach 50,000 feet when his plane developed engine trouble at approximately 37,000 feet.

Revolt Started By Military At Home of Sanchez

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 7.—A statement issued from the headquarters of General Guadalupe Sanchez, rebel leader, announced that an insurrection is being started to prevent President Obregon from dictating the election of Pelias Calles as his successor. The revolt was started with a meeting of military leaders, and politicians at the home of Sanchez. The rebels sent Obregon word of the revolt and put their men in charge of all principal federal offices.

HUGHES DEMONSTRATION HOME IS GOING UP SATISFACTORILY

Rapid progress is being made on the J. K. Hughes Demonstration home, financed by this local citizen, and being built under the direction of The News Publishing Company. Within the next few days, the building should be ready for the paint and other finishing touches. The place is attracting much attention.

New Evidence Is Unearthed Against Alleged Murderer

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 7.—New evidence has been unearthed against Phil E. Cox, publicity director of the Ku Klux Klan, who will go to trial Wednesday charged with killing W. S. Coburn, investigators said. When the case is called it is expected to reveal the internal warfare between rival factions and show that a previous attempt to kill Coburn by an aide of Cox failed.

Special Grand Jury Asked To Probe Raid

STUTTGART, Ark., Dec. 7.—A special grand jury is demanded by local citizens to investigate a raid by a band of sixteen men on the Weekly Free Press here. The presses and other equipment were wrecked and editors R. A. Berry and T. F. Lawson were severely beaten and ordered to leave town. Authorities said the attack was instigated by articles published in the paper attacking the officers and members of the Arkansas Rice Growers Co-operative Association. The editors claimed that they identified several of their assailants as members of the association.

Little Girl Is Killed In Fly Wheel of Engine

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Dec. 7.—Caught in the fly wheel of a gasoline engine, the 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Reep near here, was crushed to death Thursday afternoon. The girl stepped on the belt on the flywheel of a drilling engine which stopped on center. Her weight started the engine and she was drawn into the revolving wheel.

Texas Association Considers Officials For Next Season And Successor For Sherman

By HECK
A called meeting of the Texas Association was held at the Raleigh hotel Waco, December 4th, attended by the various club owners and some who want to be owners. The main topic of conversation was the selection of a president for the coming season and the election of other officers and making the various appointments. No business worth while was transacted owing to the late arrival of three members and president Davidson has called another meeting for December 15th, at which time all necessary business will be taken care of. According to president Davidson the league is in splendid shape financially and all set to open next season with enough money in the strong box to begin operations without calling upon the clubs for money. The withdrawal of Sherman from the loop leaves the

TWO CONFESSIONS TANGLE MURDER MYSTERY.



When Edward Lehman was shot by a man and a woman he interrupted in a factory robbery in Chicago, he gasped: "Get Bockelman" and died. Walter Bockelman was arrested, and Ethel Beck, his common-law wife, "confessed" to the police she was with Bockelman when the killing took place and that Bockelman was the slayer. Bockelman denied the crime. Later Otto Malm, hardened safe-blower, was arrested and confessed that he was the real slayer and that his wife, Katherine Malm, a "two gun woman", was his accomplice in the murder and in 60 other crimes. Mrs. Malm, too, confessed. Then the Beck woman repudiated her confession, but she had told the story in such detail the police are completely at sea. Standing behind the quartet are Assistant Jailer Strassheim and Assistant State's Attorney John Sharbaro.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Tonight fair and somewhat warmer in east and south. Partly cloudy in extreme southwest portion.

West Texas—Tonight fair, Saturday. Colder in north portion.

The Southern Pacific lines are receiving a shipment of new locomotives to take care of the constantly increasing demands of the territory served. Four big ten wheel drive locomotives, 3718, 3719, 3720 and 3721 passed through here this morning en route to Houston.

Seven Months Ago J. K. Hughes Brought In First Gusher at Powell, Since Which Time Pool Has Produced 28,000,000 Bbls.

Exactly eleven months ago the discovery well was brought in at Powell. Four months and one day followed the January 7th date of discovery before the first real gusher came in. A J. K. Hughes Developing Company gusher. The intervening period was consumed with slow drilling operations made so by bad weather.

The field, therefore, is actually only seven months old, during which time, the area has yielded approximately 28,000,000 barrels. A most recent completion, the latter part of this week, is the Fleming No. 2 of the Kirby Petroleum Company, a small 500 barrel producer.

Hoosier-Hamilton et al.
Quite a number of other completions are due within the next few hours. The Humble Company now has a number of producers on the Humphreys



farm. The J. K. Hughes Developing Company expects a good well when its No. 4 Alexander is completed which is among those awaited hourly. The J. K. Hughes Company has several operations on this 30 acre property which is in the proven area and which has added considerably to the assets of the company in Powell.

Arrangements are reported complete for a new operation in the Chatfield area. The wildcat will be located on the Easterland farm between Chatfield and Porter's Bluff, in Chambers survey.

The Masters Company and Deep Sand and Gravel Company are said to

BLOODSHED IS EXPECTED IN OLD MEXICO ANY HOUR

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 7.—Vague reports of the movement of large bodies of federal troops to combat the revolution started against the government at Vera Cruz yesterday, drifted into Nuevo Laredo, opposite here. The reports were unconfirmed and nothing definite as to the scope of the revolution. The lower Mexican border was quite today.

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER (United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 7.—Revolt in five Mexican States appeared likely to culminate in fighting between Federal forces and rebels in Vera Cruz at least before nightfall.

Some unconfirmed dispatches told of skirmishes already having taken place.

A rebellion, supported by 12,000 soldiers under General Gaudalope Sanchez started yesterday, in the State of Vera Cruz. Four other States are reported to have followed suit and repudiated the Federal Government.

The war cry of the rebels is "down with imposition." The revolt is aimed at President Obregon and his candidates for the presidency, General Calles.

The rebels back Adolfo De La Huerta.

Vera Cruz, hotbed of the insurrection, was entirely cut off from presidential elections.

The uprising in Vera Cruz, however, is by far the most serious.

Mexico City was calm today as though nothing was happening.

Business went on as usual.

There was no exodus of foreigners. Many Americans gathered in small groups at the American and University clubs and at the Hotel Begis, discussing the situation.

There is no alarm except by those who fear the railroad to the north might be cut, preventing their going home for Christmas.

Some stores took advantage of the situation to increase their food prices.

President Obregon, who was just recovering from a serious illness when the revolt broke out, was back at the Palace today, confident and optimistic.

Friends of the President intimated he would take the field personally at the head of his troops if necessary.

"No force will be spared to quell the rebellion," Obregon said in an interview.

The President appeared in somewhat better health.

Three columns of Federal troops moved today towards Vera Cruz from Tampico, while others were on the march from Puebla.

Artillery has been sent to Esperanza. It is believed the Federal troops may find it necessary to bombard Vera Cruz, while an attack from sea by troops from Yucatan also is talked of.

WALLACE URGES CORPORATION TO AID U. S. IN DISPOSAL OF GRAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A wheat export corporation to aid in the disposal abroad of surplus American wheat is recommended by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace in a special report to President Coolidge on the wheat situation. Mr. Wallace urged this corporation be empowered to dump American surplus on foreign markets at whatever price could be obtained. The loss so incurred to be "distributed over the entire crop."

McFall Test To Go Down About 200 Feet Deeper.

According to E. M. Blue of this city, the McFall test is due to begin drilling to lower depths just as soon as financial arrangements are made so as to assure the completion of the test without interruption. The location is four miles north east of town and was drilled to its present depth around 3150 feet by Denison parties. It is known that other Denison parties are figuring over sending the bit down about 200 feet deeper for an interest in the well. The conditions of the trade are known to call for a test of 3320 feet. It is believed by many that a fair test may be made around 3300 feet and some hope is entertained that a good well and a new field may be brought in there. At least, there are those who feel that it would be poor business not to make the test complete after having drilled to the present depth, especially when the log is said to have compared favorably with logs of producers in the Mexia fields.

Recent letters from Denison indicate that arrangements are just about complete.

Mexia Welcomes Homeseekers and Business Men

According to the recent report of the Bureau of Census, Mexia is with in less than 65 miles of the exact center of population of Texas. Served with direct lines leading to all of the large cities of the state; with the greatest oil field region in the United States at its very door; with agricultural and mineral resources gratifyingly numerous and with an ideal climate, Mexia offers the best opportunities in the southwest for the homeseeker or business man. Come to Mexia, the land of the golden opportunities.

MEXIA OIL COMPANIES LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER YEAR OF WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES

The Equitable Trust company's advertisement calls attention to the sound condition and gratifying financial statement of the E. L. Smith Oil company. It could have commented further on the economical administration of the affairs of the company. The huge business necessitated by the payment of dividends, the regular office work, the heavy drilling campaign and the regular announcement to all stockholders of the company through the columns of The Mexia Daily News which reaches everyone of them—all are accomplished at a surprisingly low cost. The company ranks with the foremost operators in the Powell pool and with resources strengthened

Mexia company is expected to continue to strengthen in the next years just as it has done in 1923. Operators feel certain that a new pool will be developed within 1924 in the Mexia territory, in which event all Mexia oil companies are prepared to take full advantage of the opportunities presented. Both the E. L. Smith Oil company, Inc., and the J. K. Hughes Developing Company are constantly on the alert watching every wildcat in this territory and eternally vigilant for their stockholders who have attested their confidence in them. These stockholders are in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries, and the companies have done much in presenting Mexia to the world as the real center of the oil fields in America.

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OPTIMISM HAS FOUNDATION

Mexia is looking forward to the next twelve months with an optimism characteristic of the good citizens. The past year has not been as good as it was expected to be, nor as it was, for a time, thought to be, say quite a number of local business men. They have caught the good cheer that ever dominates the oil field fraternity, however, and are bubbling over with optimism as to the future and are planning to take care of the big business which they believe is "just around the corner."

With "confident" information tendered them by wildcaters, they are led to believe that 1924 will witness another oil boom and that the incessant wildcatting of the intrepid oil man will sooner or later discover new pools of petroleum wealth which will bring a prosperity the like of which has never been experienced here. Should such a condition prevail, it will find Mexia ready for the anticipated occurrence and prepared to take full advantage of the opportunities such an eventuality will present.

The slump at Powell has not caused any marked depression locally,

for it is generally conceded that that pool was due for a rapid decline in view of the many perforations permitting the gas head to blow off.

Not only is the Mexia territory expected to contribute another oil pool, but it is likely that within the next few months two additional horizons will be found at Powell just as three pay horizons existed at Tonkawa.

The Powell pool has apparently been defined but there is an excellent chance of both shallow and deeper production which offers much to the petroleum industry at large. Too, a well known geologist has recently declared that there may be two more pay horizons at Powell below the now producing level. It is not thought that the new sands will prove as prolific as the upper but they will be reached with less expense and the actual profits offer a great inducement. The filed is now producing from the upper Woodbine sand, in places only 10 to 15 feet, while other wells in the area discovered by the E. L. Smith Oil Company found from 40 to 100 feet from the top of the big production. It is known that there are other sands within 250 feet of the bottom of the present big production, pro-

bably two more. The theory is that they should produce oil. They did in the Golden Lane and Fishpond at Mexia.

HOW TO SAVE GAS

Would you like to cut your gas bills?

Look, then, to your kitchen gas range, advises Popular Science Monthly, outlining a list of rules offered by Dr. Mina C. Denton, associate chief of the Office of Home Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture. These are the rules:

Turn the air adjustment device so that a blue flame is produced.

Use a burner of a size that will not permit the flames to lick around the edges of your pots and pans.

See that your burners are not more than one to one and a half inches below the bottom of the pan.

Be sure that burners are clean and jets kept open.

When the food has begun to cook, turn down the flame, or remove the pot or pan to the simmering burner.

Be sure that your oven is airtight and whenever possible bake at a low temperature.

XMAS BOX.

The Methodist Ladies' Missionary Society are getting up a Christmas Box of good secondhand clothing, also toys, nuts, and candies for the Wesley House of Thurber, Texas. Will be glad to get anything any one will give us. Send your articles to our homes if you have no way—telephone one of the committee. Must have same by Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Mayo,
Mrs. John Corley,
Mrs. Blake Smith,
Committee.

CORNERSTONE LAYING AT LEONA SATURDAY

The cornerstone of the new Christian church at Leona will be laid Saturday between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. Rev. Chism of Teague will officiate at this affair which is to be at Leona in Leon County. The announcement states dinner will be served on the ground and the public is most cordially invited.

432 FORD MEN APPOINTED IN YEAR 1923

According to F. W. Welch of the Welch Motor Company the extension of the Ford Motor Company's sales and service organization during the year has been rather remarkable and is due, of course, to the continually increasing demand for Ford products.

There have been 432 new dealers appointed since January 1, bringing the total number of authorized dealers in the United States up to 9,448, the greatest retail sales organization ever known.

Authorized service stations also have been steadily increased in order to afford the best possible service to the constantly growing number of Ford owners. At present the Ford service stations total around 22,000.

In foreign countries there are 3,800 authorized Ford dealers and 7,000 service stations.

MEXIA PRODUCTION STILL ABOVE 40,000

The Mexia pool continues to produce above 40,000 barrels daily. The steady and continued production of this producing area continues to be the marvel of southwestern fields.

MOODY TEST IS THROUGH CAPROCK

Drilling is progressing satisfactorily on the Moody test at Tehuacana, seven miles Northwest. About 4 feet was drilled Thursday night, reaching a depth of 3009 feet. The cap rock has been reached and the bit is now in sand, lime and shell, which is considered very encouraging. About 20 or 30 more feet and it is expected to show whether pay production is to be encountered.

Rotarian Donald W. Mackie of Bradford, Pennsylvania, of the Bradford Supply Company, was a guest of Mexia Rotary Thursday.

At the Mexia Gun Club shoot on Thanksgiving day, ten turkeys were awarded the best 10 shots. One of these went to a lady—Mrs. M. W. Anderson. The other nine to when awards were made were: Harry Meek, George Ingram, Englehardt, L. D. Morrow, Blanchard, M. W. Anderson, Carter, Padget and Nevell.

Charles Clover, Secretary of the Mexia B. P. O. Elks and official scorer for the Gushers attended the T. A. baseball meeting in Waco the fourth. Mrs. E. Watson returned Friday from Dallas where she has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stevens, for a few days.



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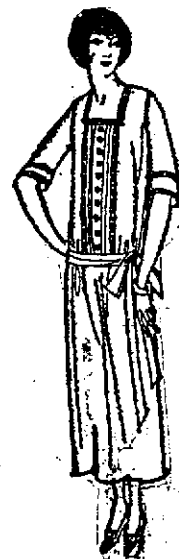
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Latest News From The Oil Fields

World's Search For Oil Carried to Remote Regions

Discoveries in The Arctic and in Patagonia—Where World's Fields Are Located—Preeminence of U. S. In Production and Scientific Advancements.

Interest in the world search for oil has been stimulated by reports of wells discovered in remote parts of the earth. One of the most spectacular discoveries is a well drilled on the Mackenzie river in the Canadian Northwest Territory in the shadow of the Arctic Circle where the drilling crew could work only a few months of the year and was entirely cut off from the outside world. As a contrast, concurrently with the Arctic discovery, fields in Patagonia at the other end of the Western Hemisphere were attracting the attention of the oil world.

Petroleum deposits are widely distributed throughout the world. Oil has been found and commercially developed in both the Eastern and Western Hemispheres, and in each case both north and south of the Equator.

North America Predominates. The North American continent predominates in production at the present time, with the United States and Mexico contributing 86% of the world's production. Canada and Alaska have a small production. Oil indications exist and exploratory work has been done in Panama, Costa Rica, Honduras and Guatemala.

Trinidad is the principal oil producing country of the West Indies. A small production has been developed in Cuba. Santa Domingo and Haiti have oil possibilities.

The South American continent has several developed and undeveloped oil fields. Peru, Argentina and Venezuela are producing oil, and exploration has been done in Ecuador, Bolivia, Brazil, Uruguay and Chile.

Principal European Fields. The principal European fields are in Russia, Roumania and Galicia (Poland.) France, Germany, Italy, England and Czechoslovakia have a small production.

In Africa, Egypt and Algeria are producing oil, with exploration work going on in Portuguese West Africa and other parts of the continent.

Persia, India, Japan and Formosa are the principal producing countries of Asia. Favorable oil possibilities exist in Palestine, Mesopotamia, Asiatic Russia and China. Oil is produced in substantial quantities in the Dutch East Indies and in British Borneo.

Australia and the Philippines are being tested for oil.

Ten Billion Barrels of Oil.

Since the first recorded production, over ten billion barrels of petroleum have been taken from the earth. This quantity would make a moat of oil 50 feet deep by 50 feet wide extending from New York to San Francisco.

The United States has produced by far the greatest quantity of oil—nearly 6,500,000,000 barrels—or about 65% of the total. This production has been achieved in 63 years.

Russia has produced in 60 years about two billion barrels, or about 20% of the world's production.

In the short space of 21 years Mexico has produced nearly one billion barrels or about 10% of the world's production. Of Mexico's total production, over half a billion barrels have been produced in the last three years.

U. S. Development. Not only has the United States led in the production of petroleum, but also in scientific advances in the work of production, transportation, refining and marketing of petroleum. The performance of this feat has been the result of the unprecedented demand of the American public for oil service.

The greatest early oil development, after the completion of the Drake well near Titusville, Pa., in 1859, was in the Appalachian field of Pennsylvania, New York, Southeastern Ohio and West Virginia. In more recent years the field has been augmented by pools in Kentucky. A small production has also been developed in Tennessee.

In 1885 oil was discovered in northwestern Ohio and development extended into northeastern Indiana, these activities establishing the Lima, O.-Indiana field. Quantity production in the Illinois field dates from 1906, although a small output was recorded previously.

Famous Spindletop Pool. Texas first obtained substantial production in 1901 in the famous Spindletop pool, near Beaumont. This development was followed by the discovery and exploitation of other pools in South Texas and South Louisiana. These pools comprise the Gulf Coast producing division.

The Oklahoma and Kansas fields began to make great increases in production in 1904. First production in the North and Central Texas fields dates as far back as 1896 but quantity

output began around 1911. North Louisiana came into prominence in 1909 and 1910 and Arkansas as late as 1921. Oklahoma, Kansas, North and Central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas comprise the Mid-Continent producing district which produced in 1922 55% of the total U. S. output.

Rocky Mountain and California. Wyoming, Montana and Colorado comprise the Rocky Mountain division. Wyoming, whose first substantial production began in 1912, supplies by far the bulk of the production in this section, although a small quantity of oil has been produced annually in Colorado since 1887. Montana entered the producing column in 1916.

The first successful well in California was drilled as far back as 1866 but it was not until 1895 that production reached the million barrel mark annually.

The history of oil development reveals that producing pools, after they have been found, are subject to rapid declines in production, necessitating the constant search for new sources to offset these losses.

It is a significant fact that since the automobile came into prominent growth with its great demands upon the oil industry, petroleum production in the United States has increased steadily each year, evidencing the ability of the oil industry, even under great difficulties and at great financial risk to itself, to provide the service demanded by the nation.

Itching Eczema Dried Right Up With Sulphur

Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying a little Menthosulphur, says a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, this sulphur preparation instantly brings ease from skin irritation, soothes and heals the eczema right up and leaves the skin clear and smooth.

It seldom fails to relieve the torment and disfigurement. Sufferers from skin trouble should get a little jar of Rowles Menthosulphur from any good druggist and use it like a cold cream.—(Adv.)

ROOFING TAR—Repair your leaky roof before another big rain. \$1.00 per gallon. Auction Store, 117 East Palestine St. 737

Rapid Decline In The Powell Pool Expected

During the past week, due to the inclement weather and incessant rains, much depression was felt in the Powell area of the Mexia oil field district. Since Wednesday, however, with fair skies, and with roads drying rapidly, operations renewed with a vim. The drop in production has almost been a catapult, going down as low as 120,000 barrels daily. This decline was sudden and pronounced as was naturally expected, when the gas head was given an opportunity to pass out through hundreds of perforations. The decline is expected to continue downward at a more rapid rate than the Golden Lane declined because the former pool has been drilled more rapidly and already, although less than

a year old, there are nearly as many producers in Powell as there are in the Golden Lane and Fishpond areas. It is believed that in a very few days, the decline will reach the level of 75,000 barrels daily.

With winter here, it is not expected that activity will be as great as it has been, at least until Spring, if then. This is not only due to the weather but due to the fact that the peak of production and peak of drilling have been passed.

The spring of 1924 will likely witness a wildcatting campaign in the general direction of Powell, northeast of here, as pronounced as that of the early days of the Mexia pool.

Two operations are now going North of Powell, the Reed and the Findley-Kyser tests by Cranfill Bros. and Penn with the Atlantic Company. Colonel A. E. Humphreys owns a large block in this Northern district extending into the Bazette and Buffalo communities. It is said that his drilling campaign will likely be launched in earnest in the spring.

Drilling out the cement plug on the Swink tract near Richland started

early this week. Work of drilling into the sands was scheduled the latter part of the week.

The McDonald Brothers test remains idle, due to rain and heavy road conditions.

The test of Smith-Nenney et al, on the Goldman has a derrick up. Work of spudding in was expected to start Saturday.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—A shepherd dog, faithful to his charge to the last, arrived at the stock yards here in a carload of goats from Clayton, N. M. Efforts to induce the dog to leave his charge were unsuccessful.

OKLAHOMA CITY.—Oklahoma City nimrods are paying an average of \$10 a piece for their quail, according to Eugene Aufrecht, hardware man. Aufrecht based his computation upon hunting paraphernalia expenditures.

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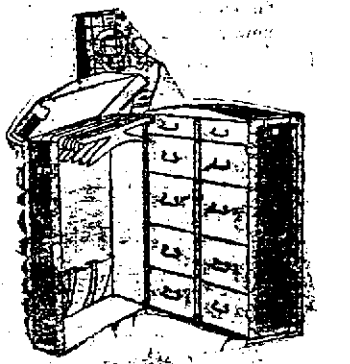
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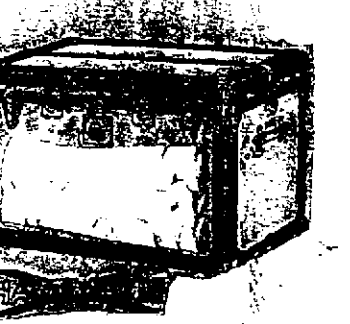
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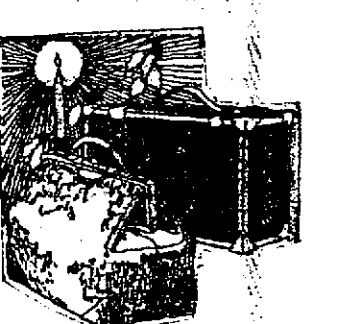


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THOUSANDS ARE TURNED AWAY AT HOLLYWOOD ANNUALLY

By HAROLD E. SWISHER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 7.—Every day in the year there are a thousand heart aches, a thousand dreams shattered and a thousand hopes blasted in Hollywood.

Every day in the year a thousand people, of all sizes, ages and qualifications, arrive in Hollywood, positive they possess that intangible something known as "screen personality," which will open for them the studio doors and assure them of the fame and fortune which follows such recognition. Scarcely one in the thousand is successful.

The flood tide of the hopeful shows no sign of receding, despite the fact that the seasonal reduction in production has thrown thousands of old and established "trouper" out of work.

This is according to the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, which has recently become the most peculiar civic booster organization in the country. It is a Chamber of Commerce which urges people to stay away.

"Don't try to break into the movies in Hollywood until you have full, frank and reliable information from Hollywood Chamber of Commerce," a little sticker which goes out on every piece of mail or express package leaving Hollywood.

"Despite our advice and the earnest campaign of enlightenment we are waging, still they come, only to be disillusioned," said Harry Barratt, assistant secretary of the Chamber today.

"The letters we get and the foolish questions we are asked would be amusing if we didn't think of the longings which prompt them," Barratt said. "Some people have the idea that Hollywood is just one big studio, surrounded by high walls and guarded by scowling guards, with a pass from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, all that is necessary to gain entrance and employment."

"Parasitic make-up schools and mail order screen acting classes increase the number of disappointed who flock here steadily, only to find there is no work, and is often the case, they are out of funds in a strange city, hardened to cases such as these."

"The largest screen employment bureau in the city, one which many studios patronize in securing 'atmosphere' characters," has over 110,000 names on its registry books—names of boys, girls and their elders, who have sought to "break into the pictures."

Only about 455 "extras" are needed daily, Barratt concluded. This does not mean 400 different would-be picture stars are used each day. The old and well known underlings work around, from studio to studio, wherever they can get work, and keep the field supplied.

"What chance has the country bumpkin to get into this circle?" Barratt asked.

Studios are broadcasting warnings, urging aspirants not to make the effort. There's not one chance in a thousand, figures disclose, of the unknown making a living in Hollywood studios today, and there are few vacancies behind restaurant counters or soda fountains, either.

Mary Pickford, who recently warned all ambitious girls with golden curls and a high school dramatic education, to bring mother and enough money to last five years when they came knocking at Hollywood studio gates, was putting all too mildly. That's the opinion in Hollywood today.

Hollywood says "don't come at all!"

The Hackney Weaver test near Cotton GIn is making rapid progress downwards, it is learned here today. The weather has caused a renewal of activity on all wildcats.

No word has come today from the Greene test east of Teague.

January
"Cosmopolitan"
on sale.
Pioneer News Stand

CONSERVATIVES LOSE LEAD IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Conservatives lost a majority of the House of Commons. Returns from yesterday's general election showed late this afternoon that Stanley Baldwin's party failed to obtain 300 seats, and none of the three parties had sufficient seats to control parliament. A Conservative-Liberal coalition is forecast. Lady Astor was re-elected.

Wildcatting Is Expected Soon In the Southwest

An increase in price of Mexia, Currie and Powell crude under normal conditions would be expected here, due to the acute scarcity of oil now imminent in the United States. However, this territory has suffered under the discriminating tactics of the purchasing companies since the fields were first brought in, and about the only good to the territory to be derived from the decline in production will likely be a wildcatting campaign of wide scope and thoroughness. More crude petroleum is in storage in Limestone County than in any other county in America. The tank farms here are taxed to take care of the huge production but there are many fields in the Southwest, it is said, where tanks are empty. Standard oil is said to have 22 empty 55's in one district in Kansas. In the Duncan, Oklahoma, district, refineries are paying a premium of 25 cents a barrel.

Improvement in oil conditions may not be felt at first in dollars and cents but oil operators feel it in rising optimism. The mid-continent area is said to be feeling this optimism very keenly now, believing that in 90 days a real wildcatting campaign will be on in earnest.

The Powell 500 Company, another Mexia organization to succeed in oil activity, has paid two dividends of 25 per cent each, although the syndicate is less than six months old. Dr. R. B. Jackson of this city is President and John Phillips, Secretary.

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Gift Thoughts! Haberdashery

For men and young men haberdashery accessories are always welcome for the reason that they never have too many.

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—Caps —H'chiefs

—We will be glad to assist you in making your selections.

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Man Under 25 Year Sentence Closely Watched

HOUSTON, Dec. 7.—Jack Smith, sentenced to 25 years for participation in the robbery of F. K. Laggett Ice Cream Company cashier here several weeks ago, is under close surveillance in the county jail following his sensational attempt to escape late yesterday.

Forcing the turnkey at the point of a gun to release him from the jail, Smith hopped on the running board of a passing car and commanded the driver, H. C. Rummage, of Fort Worth, to "speed up."

Instead Rummage threw his car into low and said it was broken while officers, in spite of shots fired at them by Smith, overtook the car and captured the bandit. Officers are attempting to find out where Smith got the gun.

The Lions club held an interesting old fashioned Spelling Bee at the luncheon hour today, with Mr. Osborn Denning the champion speller.

Prison Sentence Asked by German Lawyer for Griffin

MOSSBACK, Germany, Dec. 7.—A sentence of three years' imprisonment for Ex-Lieutenant Corless Hoover Griffin, of Ohio, for his part in the attempted kidnapping of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, was asked by the Government attorneys today.

Although Griffin, assumed entire responsibility for the affair, the prosecutor also asked a similar term for Sperber, one of Griffin's companions, one year for Prince Gargarin and six months for Nelson, the chauffeur.

All participated in the attempt at Erbach early in the fall.

The Big Williams, 6 miles southwest on the Rosson, is being watched carefully today. It will not be surprising at any moment to learn that a new field and a new horizon of paying proportions has been penetrated here. The bit is said to be down near the interesting 1760 foot level.

Houston Looks For Missing Boy Of Seven

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 7.—Hundreds of citizens and police today searched Houston for Edmond Malcolm, 7 year old son of a blind street musician, who has been missing since Wednesday.

The boy left for school Wednesday morning and has not returned. He was last seen with two other youths playing along the banks of the Bayou. His father believes he may have fallen into the Bayou and drowned.

Man Killed In Gas Explosion

TOKERS, Okla., Dec. 7.—One man was killed and two seriously injured in an explosion caused by gas accumulation under the office of a lumber company here. Identity of the dead man is unknown.



Beautiful Lamps To Light The Way



Nowadays almost every room is illuminated by means of lamps. And when buying a lamp be sure to consider the use to which it is to be put. For reading, the light should be brilliant yet kindly; where close work is not necessary, softly tinted; and when used for decorative effects they may take any harmonizing color or frill.

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The Mexia Daily News has been late coming from the presses for the past several days. This is due to motor troubles which are being rectified as rapidly as possible. The repairs are expected to be completed soon, and within the next few days everything will be running normal and smoothly and on time again.

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JOINT FESTIVAL PROMISES TO BE A GRAND SUCCESS

According to Jerry Cason, Dr. M. M. Brown of the Lions club, Lee P. Pierion, president of the Salesmanship club, O. F. Watkins and Z. Rochelle of the American Legion, and Warren Dale the all city clubs and Legion banquet on the evening of December 14th will be the biggest single affair of its kind of the year; all of the ladies of the various clubs will be with their husbands and sweethearts to help put the affair over in grand style. Over one hundred plates have already been sold; and it is urgent that all plates be bought and paid for at once so that the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary will know just how many plates to prepare for; Mesdames O. F. Watkins, Dale, Rochelle and all of the ladies ask that check be sent in at once by all members of the various clubs of the city for the sum of \$2.50 per couple if they desire to be present. This will be in honor of "Mister Turkey" and Santa Claus; and a large number of Turkeys are in the pen to be fat and ready for the event. All of the clubs of the city are asked and invited to join in, and it is understood that they will all be there with "bells on."

There will be prominent speakers present who will address the club. Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson will be a guest of honor who will deliver his popular address that has been repeatedly delivered over the State on "Good Roads and Good Schools;" Judge Storey of Tyler a very popular after dinner speaker, will be present and deliver an address. There will be plenty of entertainment throughout the evening; music and songs, a sing-song of popular songs, and popular dinner stunts. Hon. J. K. Hughes, live wire oil operator will be the toastmaster. The Mexia Daily News has been asked to report the meeting. The Native Sons of Texas through their President, Hon. Hampton Steele, son of the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, and President of the Native Sons of Texas, Inc., will be present. He is now 84 years of age, but hearty and hale and as active as most men some 20 years his junior.

Regardless of what club you are a member of, you are invited. The

personnel of every club in the city is invited to come and make the banquet a success regardless of whether or not the club joins in as a club or otherwise. You have an invitation. If you are for Mexia show it. The slogan will be "all for Mexia." The local paper is asked to give this banquet all publicity, and will give their co-operation in making it a success.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 6, 1923.

Dear Old Santa:

I don't know whether you will remember me this year or not for we haven't any money for you. My papa is at Navarro trying to work but he does not have work only about two days out of a week. My mamma wants work but hasn't any.

I am five years old. would love to have a doll that says ma-ma and can go to sleep. I would love to have a little broom. My little three year old brother says he wants a doll that will call him ma-ma too and a little rocking chair. My sister is twelve years old she wants a book "Robinson Crusoe."

My big brother wants a football. We would all like to have some fruit and nuts and a little candy. Oh Santa I forgot to tell you that I would love to have a little bed for my dollie. I live at 618 N. Red River street. My name is

Nellie Ruth Dupuy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. Will you please bring me a parasol, some red house shoes, a nice doll, some fruits and candy, also bring my mother, daddy and little brother something nice. Best wishes and love to you.

Your little friend,
Rosalie Vance,
412, E. Commerce St.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old and going to school. Will you please bring me a trunk, air gun, some fruit, candy and fire works. My little sister is writing you also. You will find us at 412 East Commerce street.

Your little friend,
Leonard Vance.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 8, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I surely am anxious for you to visit me again. Since Christmas is drawing near I thought I would write

you about what I wanted you to bring me. I want a street roller, a toy tractor, and a story book. You can tell from this selection that I am an industrious boy.

Your friend,
Olin T. Seely.
P. S.—Please send me some nuts, candy and fruits also.

Santa Claus:

Don't go to my house in Canada because I am moved. Please bring me a doll that wears a dress and bonnet and says ma-ma, a doll buggy, some candy and nuts. I am five years old so bring a big doll and I will give my old dolls, Uncle Mose and Billy, to orphan Annie.

Your friend,
Dorothy Grant,
511 North Ross Ave.
(Brown house.)

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 5, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball and a story book, a doll, some fruit and nuts, candy too. Bring me a ring if you don't mind.

Bring me a doll buggy. I won't

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ask for too much dear Santa Claus. So I will close.

Your little friend,
Ruth Stanford.

Heavy Trunk Saved Them From Death

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 7.—H. C. Stoball, a tourist, is still wondering how it all happened.

Driving near here, Stoball made a sudden turn and his car left the road, falling down a steep embankment. A heavy trailer attached fell on top of the car.

Stoball, holding his baby in his arms was unscratched. The babe was only a trifle shaken up. Two heavy trunks, carried in the car, held up the trailer and prevented it from crushing Stoball and the child.

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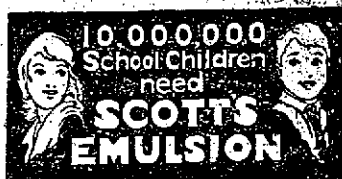
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Perhaps the most amazing discovery of recent years in the field of medicine is the discovery that Piles can now be successfully treated and cured at home by a wonderful substance called MOAVA. This substance in the form of a suppository is inserted into the rectum where by its soothing, healing action all pain and soreness is allayed and then by direct contact with the ulcers and piles causes them to heal up and disappear forever.

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A Fruity Cream

I call this cream my Youth Cream. It contains both lemon and strawberry. Also all the best that science knows to soften, whiten, feed and smooth the skin.

No woman I know has ever found anything to so foster the fine texture of the skin. Whatever cream you have used before, my Youth

Cream will amaze you.

Edna Wallace Hopper's Youth Cream is now supplied by all druggists and toilet counters. Price 60c per jar. Also my Facial Youth—my famous liquid cleanser. Also my White Youth Clay—the last word in facial clay. Also my Hair Youth, which brought my luxuriant hair. My Beauty Book comes with each.

Now every girl and woman may enjoy the benefits I got. The multiplied beauty, the perennial youth. The greatest beauty helps that science knows are at your call. Let my Youth Cream show you how much they mean to you. Edna Wallace Hopper. Business Address, Waukegan, Wis.

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THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR.

“snowbirds” Now flocking To Texas

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 7.—On the wings of the bleak wintry winds birds have come back to the sunny thland. And with them has come “snowbird.”

Seeking ever the “easiest way out” birds, otherwise known as “bums, loes, tramps” have been flocking to as for the past several weeks, au-tities say.

Each day brings a larger number of miles wanderers before town strates. A slippup in their usual stories and they’re in for a brief stch as a “vag.” But the jails are m.

employment bureaus prove the orite roosts of the birds. It’s warm re too and they figure they can put a pretense of seeking work if ght in the bureaus. They hash up kinds of yarns to escape the “jud.”

I’m an honest working man with a little stretch of tough luck. o weeks ago I worked as boiler-ker in Kansas City,” one of them Judge Jim Reeves here. His ms were examined. They were t and white and he went to jail.

In the spring the migration will all over again. But this time it l move the other way. For the “snowbird” always seeks the “easiest y.” They’re called “snowbirds” cause they run from the snow.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 6.—In an-er to reports from Milan that Er-

minio Spalla, European heavyweight champion, had accepted terms for a fight in the Argentine with Luis Firpo, the South American cham-pion said today that he would not consider a fight with Spalla in this country or any other country.

RED BANK, N. J.—With Jock Malone added to his staff of spar-ring partners, Gene Tunney is put-ting the finishing touches on his training for his fight on next Mon-day with Harry Greb. Tunney will demand a fight with Georges Car-pentier if he wins from Greb.

NEW YORK.—“Three more good fights and Benny Leonard will be ready to retire,” Billy Gibsov, the lightweight champion’s manager, said. Pal Moran and Louis Vincen-tini, the South American lightweight may be taken on for Leonard for two of the outdoor bouts.

TORONTO.—Pancho Villa, world’s flyweight champion, knocked out Donnie Mack, Toronto bantamweight in the fourth round.

DETROIT.—A \$300 fine plastered on Johnny Dundee for not arriving 72 hours before his bout with Sid Bargarian here, has stirred Jimmy Johnston, Dundee’s manager, to wrath. Johnston threatens legal ac-tion against Louis Plies, State box-ing commissioner.

OLD CARS WANTED—Will pay cash for your old car to wreck, or will sell you used parts cheap for repair-ing. Will sell your car on commission or trade it for you. See me before buying or selling your old car. J. E. McDowell, 111 North McKinney. 7E7

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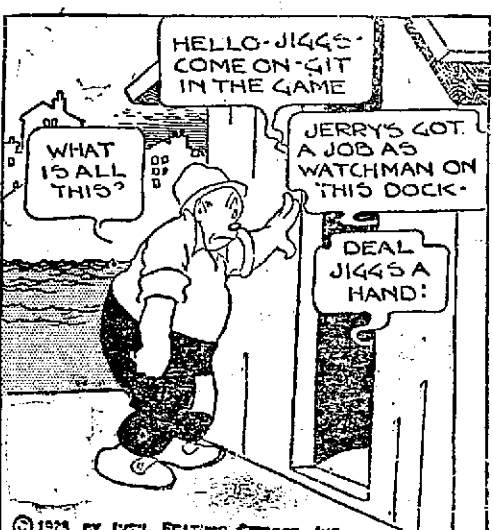
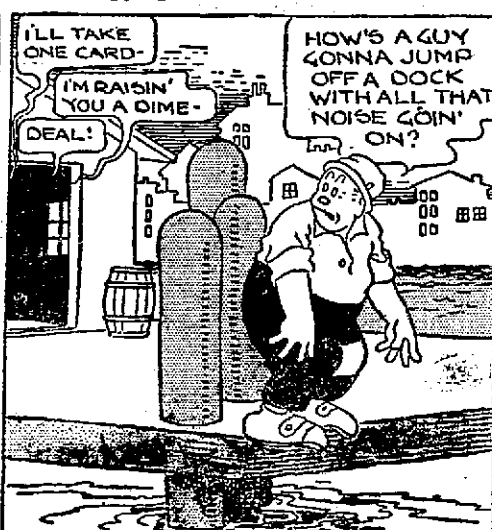
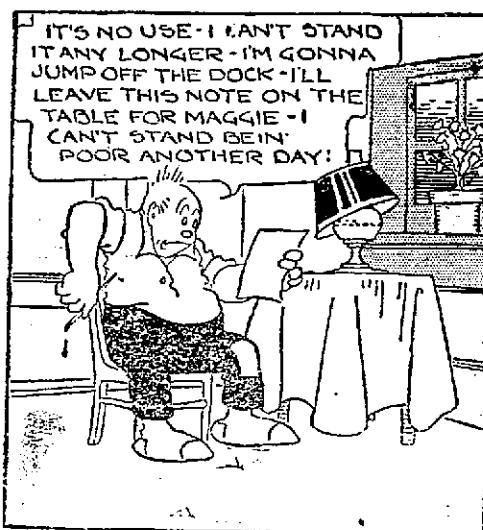
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THE BAT IS COMING TO MEXIA SAT., DEC. 8TH

MATINEE AND NIGHT
(Press Notice)

If there is a theatrical man in your acquaintance, ask him, if you are interested in the subject of success, to give you his reason for the totally unprecedented success that has met "The Bat," the great mystery play by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood which Wagenhals and Kemper will present at the Opera House on Saturday matinee and night, Dec. 8th. Of course, the first answer he is going to give you is that "The Bat" is a corking good play. That is now self-evident. No play that wasn't exceptionally good could possibly attract the same persons back to see it four, five and six times. And that is exactly what "The Bat" is doing.

But there is another reason—a more technical reason, if you will, for the success of the play on tour. There have been good plays before The Bat was ever heard that failed miserably on their tours of the country. The answer to their failure is also the answer to the success of "The Bat." And that is what your acquaintance will be able to explain to you in detail, if you press him for reasons.

When Wagenhals and Kemper send a play on tour, they insist that it be the equal—actually it is sometimes the superior—of the play as it has been presented in New York for its original engagement. The managers who have amassed a great fortune, solely through their insistence, on a policy of the "best is none too good for the road," build new scenery, supply new costumes; have perfect electrical equipment, carry their own furnishings for their sets and never permit, under any circumstances of the use of a make-shift, just in order to give a play.

"The Bat" when it starts its tour of the country, leaves New York, equipped exactly as though it was to go no farther than a theatre at the corner of Broadway and Forty-Second street. And the cast must be the equal of the production. If Broadway actors balk at going on tour, Broadway salaries promptly win them over.

These are the reasons, then, why "The Bat" has broken box office records in every city where it has played and why, notwithstanding one, two, three and sometimes four visits, it is able to go back for the fifth time or more and find a theatre filled with people, waiting to welcome it. Seats on sale now.

PHIL ROSS TO SUPD IN ON HACKNEY LEASE

Phil Ross of Ross and Green has a derrick up on the Hackney tract between Mexia and Wortham and to the right of the H. & T. C. tracks. The test will be spudded in within the next few days. Iowa capitalists are financing the operation, it is learned.

Mrs. Jas. G. Townsend of San Antonio is returning home today after a brief visit with her mother, Mrs. V. P. Wilbank and sister, Mrs. Ben Knoff of this city.

Knights of Pythias Wolves Are Menace Elect New Officers In Western Texas

At the meeting of Travis Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias held Thursday night work in the ranks of Esquire and Knight was done.

The lodge subscribed \$25 to the Salvation Army fund, and sent a donation to a worthy brother in another city who had sent out an appeal for aid. Also sent the regular annual donation to the Home at Weatherford for the Christmas tree.

Officers for the ensuing term were elected as follows:

Henry C. Felz, Chancellor Commander.
Aubrey A. Kindred, Vice Chancellor
N. B. Hayden, Perlate
Jas. P. Anderson, Master of Work.
J. Frank Coddell, Keeper of Records and Seal, and Master of Finance.
J. I. Riddle, Master of Eschequer.
Horace Chitwood, Master at Arms.
H. T. Pitts, Inner Guard.
Claude Miller, Outer Guard.
John R. Corley, Trustee for three years.

These officers will be installed in January for a six months term.

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it may mean you have been eating foods which create acids, says a well known authority. An excess of such acids overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and sluggish. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels, removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the system, so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure and makes a delightful, effervescent lithia-water drink. Drink lots of soft water. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.—(Adv.)

Another Klan Outrage Reported

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, Dec. 7.—Strange tales come from the lips of negroes when they fall into the toils of the law. But a Maypearl grand jury, investigating recent offenses committed in this county, tell of the prize yarn.

A black stated, they say, that four grand jurors, robed as Klansmen, took him to the top of the courthouse and threatened to throw him off if he didn't tell the truth.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Limestone,
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution for cost, issued out of the Honorable 87th, District Court of Limestone County, of the 30th day of Nov., 1923, by The District Clerk, of said Limestone County, for the sum of Thirty-six 22-100 (\$36.22) dollars and costs of suit, under an Execution for Cost, in favor of T. A. White, in a certain cause in said Court No. 3127-B and styled T. A. White, vs. Fred S. Lack, Madge Lack, Doris Lack, Hattie Lack, Geo. Lack, Charles Lack, Dr. Stone, Annie Berbowser, F. R. Berbowser and Virginia Stone, placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy, as sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 30th day of Nov., 1923, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land in Limestone County, Texas, be-



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ing 50 acres out of the S. E. corner of the H. Hines survey and 14 acres out of the N. E. corner of said J. E. Lewis survey and described thus: Begin at a stake in the East line of said Lewis survey 149 vs. from its N. E. corner; Thence N. 30 W. at 149 vs. pass the said corner, which is also the S. E. corner of the Hines survey and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake in the East line of said Hines survey; Thence S. 60 W. 531 vrs to a stake; Thence S. 30 E. at 531 vrs. cross the common line of said Hines survey and said Lewis survey, and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake, which is also the E. corner of tract No. 1 hereinabove first described; Thence N. 60 E. with same 531 vrs. to beginning, containing 64 acres, and levied upon as the property of Fred S. Lack, et al., and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st, day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Execution for Cost, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Fred S. Lack, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the 'Mexia Daily News', a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 30th day of Nov., 1923.
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By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
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Mexia Shrine Club To Present Charity Minstrel

Opera House Is Secured For Thursday Night

In line with their Christmas charity program, the Mexia Shrine Club have secured a deal with Manager Frank Bevering of the Opera House to stage their Minstrel Show on Thursday night, December 13th. Through the courtesy of Mr. Bevering and Mr. Bobby Warren of the Bobby Warren Stock Company, the company have agreed to give this date to the Shriners and to assist them in every way possible to make their charity show a success. This act of public spiritiveness on the part of these gentlemen deserves well the recognition of the public and is highly appreciated by the Shriners, who are putting forth every effort to give a good clean show, with a change of program, including new songs, and jokes and vaudeville acts.

Some new actors have been added to the cast, including the famous jazz band Ben F. Stollenwerk and the well known Ring-Tail Buck Tidwell, who will deliver a short address to his audience on how he put things over at the Karem ceremony.

When the show was first presented at the High School Auditorium, the weather conditions and the extreme muddy condition of the street leading to the building, prevented a large audience from witnessing the show, as evidenced by several hundred who braved the weather and filled the house to half of its capacity in spite of conditions.

It is therefore certain that those who did not see the show before will be glad of an opportunity to support it this time and the patronage of those who witnessed it before is solicited, as the program is being changed so as to make it a brand new show with more pep than before.

The net proceeds of the show will be given to charity and the interest displayed by the Shriners in this section will mean the complete success of the undertaking.

The cause is worthy of the 100 per cent support of the community and what is better than a pleasant evening and a dollar invested to be used for the comfort and relief of some unfortunate person during the Christmas times.

With the co-operation of the Elks Band, a parade is being planned on the afternoon of the 13th between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, which will be staged on Commerce street.

Watch for the big attraction and talk it over with your neighbors and remember a dollar paid to this show is a dollar spent for charity.

Reserved seats will be placed on sale next Monday.

INTERSECTIONAL GAMES TO BE NUMEROUS AS EVER

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Intersectional games on the 1924 football schedule will be just as numerous as they have been in the past three years, but they will be much more important.

It is possible from negotiations now being carried on, that at least two of the big teams of the Western Conference will meet first class Eastern teams.

Wisconsin is negotiating for a game with Cornell and if it is scheduled it should be one of the feature games of the season. Cornell, defending itself against criticism because weak teams have appeared on its schedule, has maintained that it could not get good teams to play. Wisconsin is a good team.

The Navy wants a game with a Conference team and probably will get one. The Navy officers wanted Illinois on the schedule but it seems that while both are willing the game

will not be possible next year because it is impossible to find an open date on the schedule satisfactory to both teams.

Michigan, under the circumstances probably will get on the Navy schedule. Secretary Denby, a former Michigan football star, wants his Midshipmen to schedule the game. As the Navy officials are willing to agree to a "home and home" proposition, it is not improbable that the Navy will have a game at Annapolis in 1925 with Illinois and one at Ann Arbor with Michigan. The Navy is not afraid of any kind of a hard schedule.

The Army probably will have several Southern teams on the schedule and Yale already has booked games with North Carolina and Georgia. Centre will make its annual appearance in the East in a game with West Virginia in New York on Oct. 25. While the game has not yet been announced, it is certain that Georgia Tech will meet Notre Dame next fall.

Notre Dame is more in demand than any team in the country. The "Micks" are willing to travel and the team is a first class attraction all over the country. Notre Dame makes two trips east next fall for games with the Army and Princeton.

Pennsylvania with one of the largest fields in the east, is looking for one or two big spectacles and it is understood that the Penn officials are eager to get a game with one of the

fine Pacific coast teams. Many other teams would like to schedule a game with California but the travel demands for such a game make it almost impossible for the regular schedule.

Improvements Made In Masonic Hall

The Masonic hall has been improved by the installation of a new carpet and other additions to the comfort and convenience of those who attend the meetings, and the hall now has a real cozy appearance.

There will be a called meeting tonight for work in the Masters degree, and all members are urged to attend.

Visitors are always welcome.

ENID, Okla.—Enid fowls are experiencing a hard winter. The city "dads" have amended the chicken ordinance restricting roving during the summer months, to include the whole year.

ATTENTION ELKS

The first regular meeting for December will be held at the home tonight at eight o'clock sharp. A full attendance is requested. Visiting members welcome.

Frank C. Bolton,
Exalted Ruler.
Chas. L. Clover,
Secretary.

JOLIET, Ill.—Rivers of real beer flooded Joliet's main streets. A heavy foam covered the sidewalks. Thirsty pedestrians, seeking the source found confiscated beer from a nearby brewery had clogged the sewers and overflowed.

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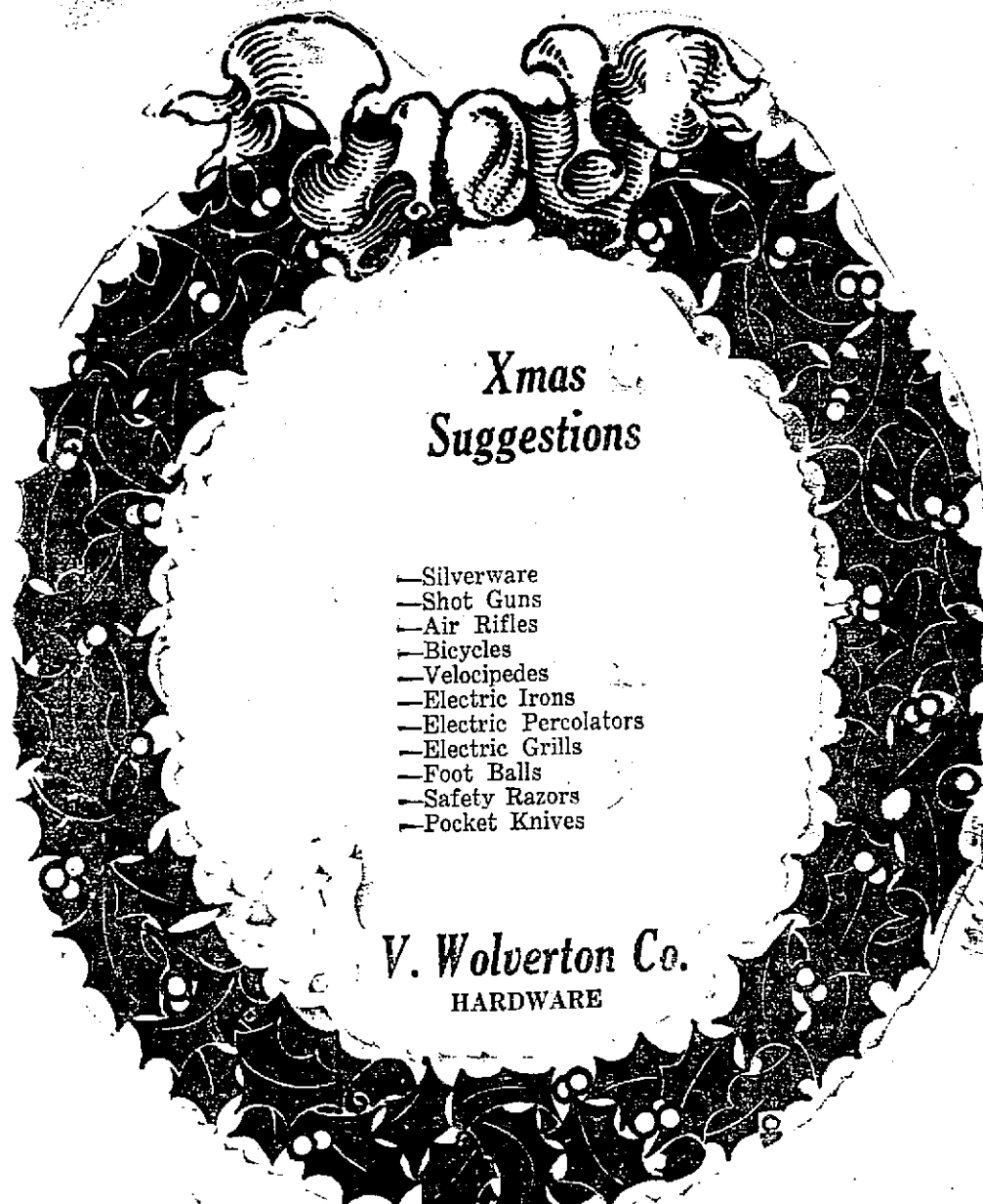
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